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Comment Of The Day

Hongkong And The Election (II)

WHETHER the Tories or Labour win the next election, the way Hongkong is governed will not of course be affected, but there have been indications that Labour would seek to make some basic changes in working hours, conditions and minimum wages faster than we would care to implement them. No Government, however, could, however, accuse the local administration of not having done enough for the ordinary people of Hongkong.

The multi-story resettlement scheme which has cost in the region of \$100 million and now reaches proudly towards the century mark is a typical example of the way in which Government has gone about solving solutions to a block of the worst evils. Government's annual total expenditure on refugees is in the region of \$200 million, or a third of its total expenditure.

The Education Department aims to provide universal primary schooling and the Health Department has made a concerted attack on prevalent illnesses, particularly tuberculosis and in eight years the death rate from this disease, though still high, has fallen by more than half.

LOCAL Government has done much which any Home Government would be proud to acknowledge. But last year there was sharp criticism of the Grantham administration made by a Labour MP which is a straw in the wind. The attack was directed mainly at long factory hours, low wages and poor conditions and the MP claimed that they were the worst he had seen in the Far East.

Hongkong has already taken action of its own accord to improve the lot of women and young people in industry. This followed the visit of a Colonial Office Labour Adviser Miss S. A. Ogilvie last year, and a full employment bill has been promised which should do much to still criticism at home.

Some Labour members would probably want to insist on mandatory universal, eight-hour shifts and a full weekly rest-day. There is certainly wide scope for legislation along these lines even though most Hongkong workers are more likely to prefer the rewards that long hours of work bring.

The practice of paid annual holidays also needs to be adopted throughout the Colony. The Chinese New Year break by itself is inadequate. There are difficulties in implementing this however, particularly in marginal industries. Also to ensure that a bill including provisions of this kind is fully effective Government must have to increase its factory inspectors enormously.

It can claim no one's conscience that legislation of this kind exists in the state book unless it is being widely practiced. The institution of a minimum working day will have to be undertaken gradually and the China Mail has argued that it would be better to carry out any reforms of this kind in stages over five or ten years to avoid upsetting the economy. There is perhaps a danger that a new Government or a new Colonial Secretary might act rashly where an experienced and understanding person like Mr. Lennox-Boyd appreciates local difficulties and is prepared to act with caution.

Hongkong has established a harmonious relationship with Mr. Lennox-Boyd but whatever the result of the election it will continue in this job. He has been mentioned as a possible Foreign Secretary when Mr. Selwyn Lloyd is elevated to the Lord Chancellors. He should therefore get used to the idea that the election is going to mean a new boss in Parliament. But whoever he is, he will have just as much cause for pride as his predecessor in the achievements of his senior and perhaps also most loyal Colony.

LOSS OF MEMORY CLAIMED BY DEFENCE COUNSEL

PODOLA CASE SENSATION

Jury To Decide On Fitness To Stand Trial

London, Sept. 10. A legal battle began in the Old Bailey today to determine whether Guenther Fritz Irwin Podola, charged with the murder of a police sergeant, was insane and unfit to stand trial.

After more than two hours of legal argument today, the first day of Podola's trial, a jury of ten men and two women was empaneled to try whether Podola was insane.

Podola—a 30-year-old German-born photographer—is charged with the murder of 42-year-old Det.-Sergeant Raymond Purdy, who was shot dead in the entrance to a block of flats in West London last July 13.

Before the jury was empaneled today, Mr. F. H. Lawton, defence counsel, told Mr. Justice Davies, the Trial Judge, that Podola had lost his memory of all events up to July 17.

Alleged 'Fake'

But Mr. Maxwell Turner, prosecuting, alleged that this was a "fake".

Mr. Justice Davies ruled that the defence had to establish that Podola was unfit to plead on the main charge.

Mr. Lawton told the jury that as a result of his loss of memory, Podola was unable to defend himself and his counsel had no idea of his defence at all.



PODOLA

He said that the amnesia had been brought on by concussion "of moderate severity" sustained at some stage aggravated by shock and circumstances of his arrest on a charge of capital murder.

It was probable that at the time of his arrest Podola received a number of injuries, none of them particularly severe, Mr. Lawton said.

Circumstances

A certain amount of detail would be put about the circumstances of Podola's arrest, not by way of a complaint against the police, but because it would be relevant to the question of Podola's condition.

He went on to say: "I feel as a matter of factness in a case of this kind that I should state specifically that there is no evidence of any kind that violence was done to Podola at Chelsea Police Station, indeed, the evidence that exists points the other way."

Mr. Lawton said that at the time of Podola's arrest, a good deal of blood was shed. Two pillow cases were stained with blood, a cover too was stained.

"Blood was also spattered on his trousers," Mr. Lawton said. He went on: "Where the blood comes from is difficult to say."

Cut Over Eye

"One of the injuries appears to have been a cut over the eye. He told the jury that it would have produced all that blood."

"You may infer perhaps that it occurred through a nose bleed," he told the jury.

The first witness this afternoon was both doctors.

Dr. John Shanahan, a divisional surgeon for West London areas, told the court he had made a "pretty thorough" examination of Podola soon after his arrest. He had noted that Podola was frightened, dazed and exhausted.

"I came to the conclusion that he was suffering from concussion," Dr. Shanahan said. He said that later that night he decided that Podola should go to hospital for examination.

Cross-examined by Mr. Maxwell Turner, Podola's injuries, Dr. Shanahan said, that the bruises on Podola's face when he saw him could have been caused during a struggle at the time of his arrest.

The next witness was Dr. Philip Harvey, consultant physician at St. Stephens Hospital where Podola was taken on the night of his arrest.

'Stuporous'

He said that in the early hours of July 17, he examined Podola who was in a "stuporous state".

He made a tentative diagnosis of exhaustion and there was a brain injury, the exact nature of which had still to be confirmed at the time.

He arranged for a lumbar puncture for an examination of the cerebral spinal fluid. This was one of the tests that could be applied to see whether there was a particular type of injury to the brain.

After the lumbar puncture he found cerebral contusion (bruising of the brain).

On July 18, he found Podola far more conscious, and later that day he was able to respond, after a delay, to simple commands. He still had to be fed.

That night he and others helped Podola out of bed and helped him to stand up. When he closed his eyes, Podola brought an inability to stay upright without falling. Podola was smoking a great deal and there was no evidence of schizophrenia (split mind) or paranoia (persecution mania).

On the 19th, this improvement continued, and on the 20th Podola was discharged from hospital. He was then much more alert, but his memory of events before his arrest was still poor.

At the close of Mr. Lawton's examination of Dr. Harvey, the trial was adjourned until tomorrow—China Mail Special.

Report On Police Dismissals Denied

A Police spokesman denied this morning that some 30 members of the Police Force are expected to be relieved of their duty.

"The Commissioner of Police," he said, "emphatically denies the statement published in the Hongkong Standard this morning, that some 30 members of the Police Force are expected to be relieved of their duties shortly."

The same spokesman confirmed that a petition from a number of former Police officers, seeking re-instatement, had been forwarded to the Colonial Office.

The men were dismissed from the Police Force for alleged mis-execution of immigration regulations. They are petitioning the Colonial Secretary for a chance to defend themselves against the allegations.

The officers claim innocence of any offence or breach of regulations.

Bank Robber 'Caught' By Cameras

New York, Sept. 10. A near-sighted bank robber unwittingly cast himself as the star but not the hero of a film that New Yorkers viewed a few hours later on television yesterday.

Pictures from the film also were printed in newspapers.

The robber, a young negro wearing thick-lensed glasses, walked into a Broadway branch of the bank for savings and either was unable to see or ignored a sign which said: "Cameras will film any hold-up on these premises."

DEMAND NOTE

Margaret Kilkenny, an attractive brunette teller, was working in her cage when the man gave her a bag and note demanding money.

"Don't be a hero," the note said. "I'm holding a can of lye solution. Put as much money in the bag as you can and don't alarm the guards."

Miss Kilkenny, 19, pushed a button and three wide-angle movie cameras began "shoot-ing" the robbery.

The film showed her examining \$1,000 in bills into the bag and pushing it through the window to the holdup man.

In the next scene, the man turned and ran for the door, dropping \$500 and a beer can, which was empty.

The final take showed two tellers vaulting over the counter to give chase and a customer picking up the \$500 and handing it to a bank official.

ESCAPED

The robber escaped with the other \$500.

Bank authorities called the Mosier Photographic Co., which installed the cameras.

The film was developed and sent to the police, the FBI and every television station in town.

The film appeared on local television stations shortly after.

Enlargements of the man's face were made in time for use in this morning's newspapers.

This was the first time the cameras were used by a bank being held up in New York.—UPI.

Discovery May Help End Hunger Problem

London, Sept. 10. British scientists have perfected a process which they claim can help solve the world's hunger problem. It was announced here today.

The £30,000 plant, which lies in the Bermondsey area of London, has been designed to produce edible protein from virtually any vegetable material.

The plant of East Asia were financing the scheme by mortgage, secured on Mr. Lai's property, including property at Blue Pool Road.

On the lower ground floor of the existing hotel at present are the Harlequin Emporium, the Golden Dragon Store and the Kowloon Barber Shop.

WITHDRAWN

It was confirmed by Mr. P. J. Griffiths, of Messrs. Wilkinson & Crist, that the Harlequin Emporium, who had at first opposed the application for exemption, had now completed an agreement with the applicant for a lease of new premises on the ground floor of the new hotel.

They had therefore withdrawn their opposition to the application.

The members of the tribunal, Mr. J. E. Dargan (President), Mr. W. G. Robertson and Mr. E. A. Thompson, inspected the existing hotel this morning.

Hearing will be resumed later.

Smuggling Bid: Man Is Gaoled

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European Hurt

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Demonstration By Prisoner After Appeal Refused

An unsuccessful appellant in the Criminal Appeals Court before Mr Justice R. H. Mills-Owens this morning gave vent to his feelings by banging his head against the railings of the dock.

Plan For New Kowloon Hotel

The owner of the Kowloon Hotel, 2, Hankow Road, Mr. Lai Shau-chi, this morning applied to the tenancy tribunal for exemption for the existing building to make way for a new 14-story structure which would meet modern requirements for hotel accommodation.

The new building would cost \$4,000,000 and be completed in eighteen months' time.

It would contain 180 bedrooms, each with private bath, as against the 90 existing rooms.

The whole building would be air-conditioned.

The applicant is represented by Mr. D. A. L. Wright, instructed by Mr. A. K. W. Lui, of Messrs Lo and Lo.

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Hongkong's Black Wednesday...

THERE was little that Wednesday morning to make it different from any other September morning. But before 24 hours were over more than 2,000 lay dead, houses had been flattened and every ship in the Harbour was either sunk, driven ashore or extensively damaged.

With ferocious suddenness, one of the most disastrous typhoons in the Colony's history had struck and passed.

In tomorrow's weekend issue of the CHINA MAIL, reporter Andrew Sloan vividly describes the scenes of confusion, horror and tragedy that took place on that Black Wednesday more than half a century ago...

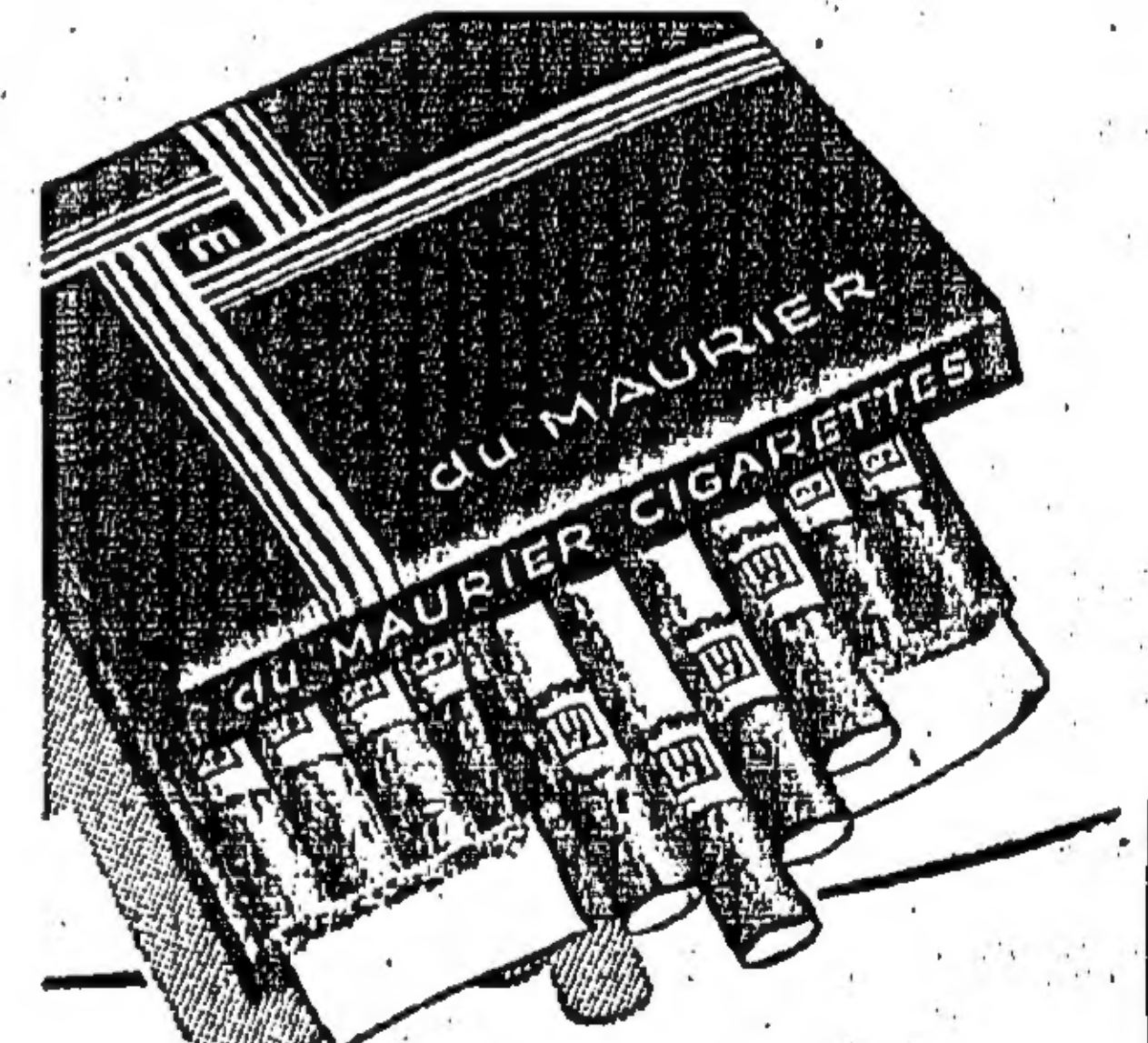
This article is the first in a timely and dramatic series by this reporter on typhoons in Hongkong. Another will appear next week.

Also for your weekend reading pleasure in tomorrow's bumper issue are:

- ★ Are the Gospels True... another chapter in the series by Geoffrey Ashe;
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Letters To The Editor

Hongkong's Administration

Sir,—I am impressed by your "Hongkong and the Election" leader in yesterday's "China Mail". The world situation today is such that Hongkong's very existence is predicated upon its remaining a colony in the British Commonwealth.

Like yourself, I cannot imagine Hongkong following the same pattern of political evolution as Singapore, the political influences generated by neighbouring territories, and the heterogeneous nature of our population, are factors which do not lend themselves to radical political experiments in Hongkong.

But that does not mean to say that the local people should not be encouraged to more fully participate in and to express their views on local affairs. I do think too that your statement "Hongkong can only thrive under a benevolent and efficient administration" calls for amplification.

British post-war colonial policy is benevolent in nature wherever the British flag flies and Hongkong is no exception to the rule. While agreeing with you that the colonial administration here is progressive, I will reserve myself the view that it can be even more progressive to the overall benefit of the Colony and its inhabitants.

I say this without the slightest intention of casting any aspersions upon the efficiency of our Civil Service. I personally know many civil servants of all grades, both local and non-local, and I have the highest regard for their loyalty and sense of duty.

But no open-minded citizen would wish to deny that there is always room for even more improvement and more progress. And that is just the focal point of this letter.

For instance, why isn't it possible for a large amount of the Colony's income and surplus funds to be spent on education? Including subventions, the percentage of this year's budget allocated to education is just 15%. I feel that at least 20% of next year's annual budget should be reserved for education. The universal primary education scheme is under way, we now need more secondary schools, more technical and vocational schools.

Then in the matter of housing, the Urban Council and the Reclamation Department are doing a first-class job in resettling squatters at the rate of about 100,000 persons a year. The Housing Authority (which com-

prises Urban Councilors, the Housing Commissioner and 2 other members appointed by the Governor) is embarking upon a long-term programme to provide low-cost housing for families in the income-earning bracket of about \$300 to \$1,500. Government still has to do something — and do it quickly — for the poorer classes of the local community earning less than \$300 per month. Also, how about the people with steady jobs, born here or who have lived here for most of their lives, who would like to borrow money at a reasonable rate of interest so that they can purchase a house or flat on similar terms that are presently offered to civil servants?

With regard to medical services, I understand that the Medical Department has three plans, a 5-year plan, a 7-year plan, a 10-year plan, each to be alluded to on the appropriate occasion. We know that Kowloon is going to have a new hospital in a 5 years' time (when our population will have increased by over 500,000). How much longer will we have to wait for another Government hospital on Hongkong Island? A statement from government that a new hospital on the eastern part of Hongkong Island will be built within say the next 5 years would be most welcome by the public.

Also, how soon will Government be able to build a curative and rehabilitation centre for drug addicts, who comprise one-tenth of our population? The need for this rehabilitation centre was stressed by the Civic Association more than two years ago.

Mr Editor, we want not merely progressive colonial administration. We want progressive long-term planning for Hongkong as well as the type of planning which will capture the imagination and the support of the local community.

To my knowledge, Government has no master plan of development for Hongkong. It is time we set one. I congratulate you on your thought-provoking leader and your effort to relate issues of interest to Hongkong to the coming General Election.

HILTON CHEONG-LEEN.

All-Chinese Band At HK Jazz Club

THE first all-Chinese band ever to play jazz before a live audience, made its debut at the second session of the Hongkong Jazz Club at Club Lusitano yesterday.

To Joseph Koo, pianist-arranger, fell the honour of forming the group, and he came up with a solid four-piece combo, which though slightly nervous, turned out some good music, the accent being on the Latin beat.

Three very studious looking young American Negroes were among the audience yesterday and indeed, it came as little surprise when master of ceremonies, Redd Foxx's Ben Roe brought them to the bandstand.

The three gentlemen in question were Leon Hamilton, Jim Hamilton (no relation to the former) and Earl Fields.

Playing together, they call themselves the Sky Lark Trio. They certainly played the Jazz Club members up onto a cloud.

Supurb

Leon, a graduate of the Tennessee State University, favours the alto and clarinet. Yesterday he played piano, and was supported by a really superb rhythm section in Jim Hamilton drums and Earl Fields (bass). Earl Fields was the outstanding member of the group. This young Texan brings out a rich, full tone, and plays with a style very reminiscent of the famous Paul Chambers.

Drummer Jim Hamilton is one of those very unobtrusive musicians, who if you listen to carefully, has a great deal to say. He played the entire set using the brushes, but this only added to the general excitement which this group created.

The Sky Lark Trio are on vacation in Hongkong. They are with the 29th Army Band in Okinawa where during their spare time they are to be heard at the Wing Club.

Joseph Koo's quartet opened the programme. Supporting him were Herman Fa who doubled on vibes and drums, Freddie Chui who doubled on alto and drums and bassist Peter Chan. This is a capable unit, who should they succeed in relaxing a little more, they seemed very tense throughout the set—will improve twofold. A good debut nevertheless and they were extremely well received.

Celso Carrillo's combo from the Highball made their second appearance at the Club, and to

Pigeon Goes Home



This pretty hostess poses with a pigeon at Kai Tak airport this morning. The pigeon was brought to Hongkong when it landed exhausted on a ship at sea. After many attempts to trace its owners, the pigeon was found to belong to an association in Taipei. A local airline offered to return it free.—China Mail Photo.

Evidence Against Merchant In Conspiracy Case

An Indian merchant on trial for conspiracy had not signed on behalf of his company any of the documents seized by the Department of Commerce and Industry, Victoria District Court was told today.

Mr G. Rich, Assistant Trade Officer of the D.C.I., was giving evidence against Lucky Dayaram Vaswani, 28, director and biggest shareholder of the Vaswani Trading Co. Ltd, which owns and runs the International Clothing Factory in Kowloon.

Vaswani has pleaded not guilty to having between January 1 last year and January 31 this year conspired with others to obtain fraudulently Imperial Preference Certificates from the D.C.I.

Cross-examined by Mr Brook Bernacchi, for Vaswani, Mr Rich told Judge E. J. Jennings that Imperial Preference Certificates were not needed for Singapore or Aden. These countries required Comprehensive Certificates of Origin.

DOCUMENTS

Mr Rich said he had examined documents seized from the clothing factory, applying for IPC and CCC's. Until the beginning of August last year the declarations had been signed by Yu Sau-ming, and later by other people.

In some cases the applications had been made by the Vaswani Trading Co. Ltd, but in none of these had Vaswani signed.

Mr Rich said he had also examined various "salary received" memos, a miscellaneous wages book, and cost statements. He told Mr Bernacchi: "With the possible exception of one document, where the signature is illegible, on all documents I produced yesterday, including the total production record, neither the name nor signature of Lucky Vaswani appears."

The hearing is continuing. Mr Bernacchi is instructed by Mr R. F. G. Dennis, of Brutton and Co., and Mr Simon Li, Crown Counsel, is prosecuting.

Dance Hostess Bill Was \$74.40 —He Couldn't Pay

A 24-year-old man admitted going to a ballroom in Wanchai, and built up a bill of \$74.40 by calling dance hostesses to his table from 3.30 p.m. on the afternoon of September 8 to 1 a.m. of September 9.

Then he announced he could not pay the bill. Cheung Yau of 11 Tai Yuen Street, fourth floor, pleaded guilty to a charge of obtaining credit by fraud, and was remanded to this afternoon by Mr T. L. Yang this morning at Central Magistracy for defendant to raise money for the bill.

Baptist Church Trustees

The Government Gazette notified today that satisfactory evidence has been furnished to the Colonial Secretary of the appointment of the following trustees of the Hongkong Baptist Church:

The Rev. Wong Yai-keung, Mr Wong Kwok-shuen, Mr Wong Sing-fai, Miss Lam Yuen-fan, Miss Wong Man-hing, Mr Lucy Wai-chau and Mr Hung Hin-shiu.

Mr Deryck de Souza-Morey Carey has been appointed a Member of the Port Executive Committee, the Government Gazette notified today.

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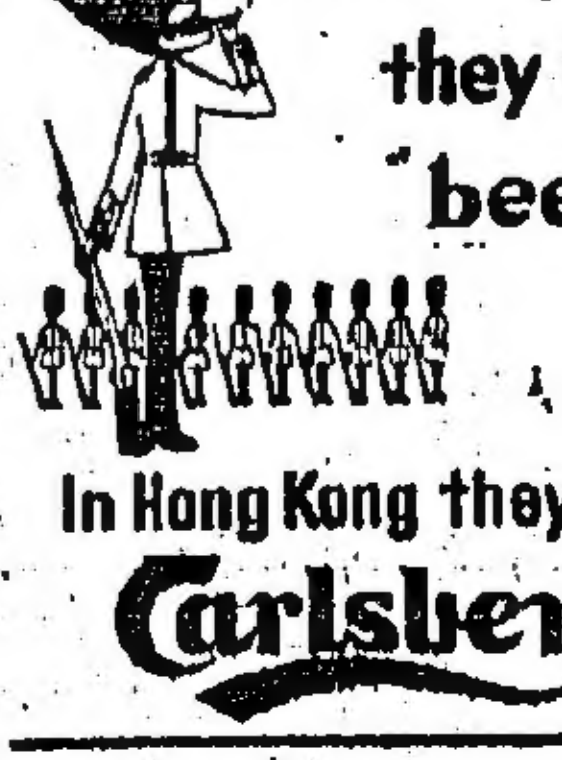
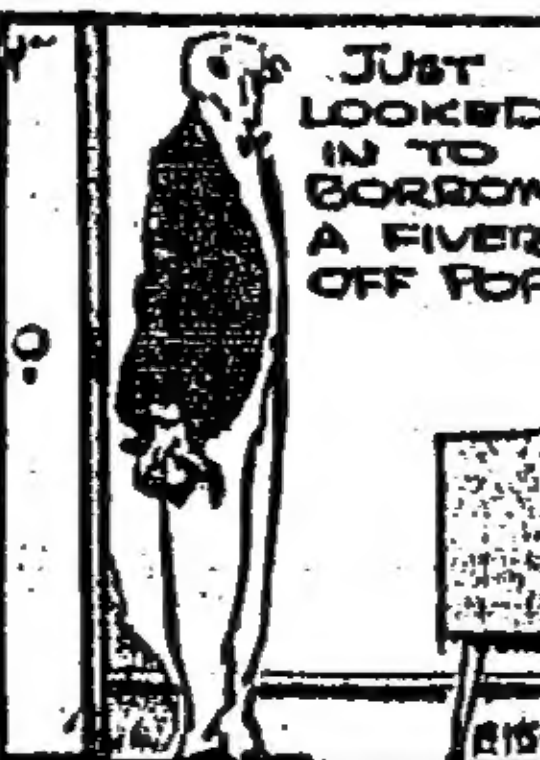
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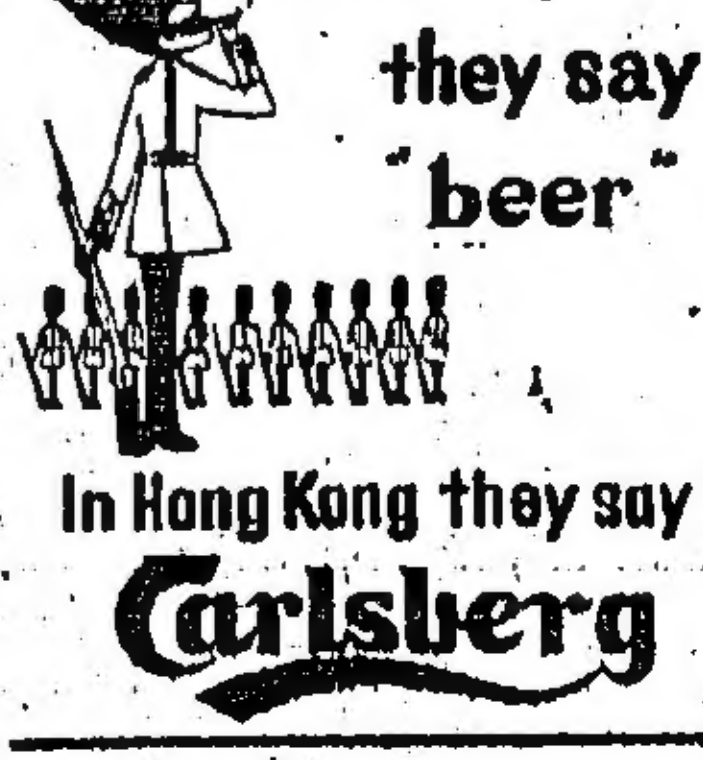
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"Unburnable" ship became A raging inferno

THE proud builders of the Titanic claimed their luxury liner was unsinkable... and she sank. The equally proud builders of the *Morro Castle*, less than 20 years later, claimed that their luxury vessel was unburnable... and she became a raging inferno.

It happened off the coast of New Jersey on September 7, 1956, just 25 years after the Titanic, a luxury liner, was wrecked on a rocky shore, a night as a gay pleasure-cruise was drawing to a close.

The fire that gutted this proud ship cost 134 lives. It was a pleasure-cruise that ended in horror.

It was the ship's second officer, who first gave the alarm, the first smoke belching from the smokestacks, made a few brick inquiries and pulled the alarm which sounded all over the ship. He sent the officer of the watch, Joseph O'Connor, rushing to investigate. He found the public writing room on "B" Deck blazing fiercely. The burning heat had buckled the door, and held back the terrified man.

In a fever of panic he raced along the narrow corridors, shouting the alarm. But even as he did so the vicious tongues of flame, fanned by the helpful air, were following and spreading along the deck.

And the terrible flames spread with far more rapidity than the frightened watchman's cries.

No precautions

In all this there was no supreme authority capable of organising either an all-out assault on the flames, or a systematic rescue of the passengers.

Only a few hours before the Captain had died after a heart attack and Chief Officer William



He carried her ashore, then collapsed and died.

by Graham Wilson

Too drunk

During the closing hours of the lighthearted Caribbean pleasure-cruise many of the passengers had gone to bed, but many more of them were merry-making in the ship's saloons.

They had started in the early evening, had been drinking steadily since then—and it was now early morning. They were too drunk to heed the many warnings.

The flames roared and raced through the passenger deck unhindered. And the crew were not very competent to tackle the blaze. They had received no fire drill—and according to survivors, did not even know how to lay out the equipment.

Many of them fought and argued with the besotted

F. Warrus had assumed command. At best fighting fire at sea is an arduous task. For Warrus it was made absolutely impossible by the grim fact that his ailing predecessor had taken no precautions.

Throughout the cruise there had been no fire-drill. Most of the passengers had no idea where to find lifebelts, or how to use them.

But most important of all, the Captain Warrus—obeying the unwritten code of the time—did not contact the radio officer. Not until 45 minutes after the first alarm did the *Morro Castle* start sending out desperate S.O.S. signals.

By then the flames were licking the door of the tiny radio

control room and the blistering heat was almost unbearable. Most of the crew were too intent on saving their own skins to worry about anything else. Many of them had just joined the cruise, from Havana to New York, to run drugs. As sailors they were hopeless.

'Sleepy with drink'

Only a few, headed by the Purser Robert Tolman, armed themselves with axes and buckled their way through to the passengers' quarters.

"They were too sleepy with drink—or else they were violently seasick," he recalled afterwards. "It was hopeless—we could do nothing."

"We tried to force them on deck," said another member of the crew. "But they fought their way to the lower deck. That was certain death—for the lower deck was already a furnace."

Faced by the solid walls of flame which loomed everywhere, and choked by the acrid fumes, screaming women slit their own throats rather than allow the fire to have them.

Six young women, who had earlier been carried from the bar to their cabins, were never seen again.

Others, in their panic, were trapped in portholes as they struggled to escape, and died where they stood.

Lifeboats were putted as they were lowered. Some, through lack of maintenance, had rusted to their supports and could not be moved.

As the screaming passengers leapt into the turbulent waters, 10 members of the crew perished themselves by commandeering a lifeboat which could have held 70.

Children calm

Only the children retained any measure of calmness, obeying orders implicitly, frightened—but trusting. Most of them were saved.

The story of Mr and Mrs Fred MacArthur was one of the most poignant of that ghastly night. It was eight minutes after the *Morro Castle* had been declared a wrecked ship that the MacArthurs decided to swim for it.

Hours later, he staggered out of the shallow with his wife in his arms, and carried her to the safety of the beach. But the superhuman effort had been too much for him. He collapsed and died.

Of the crew of 200 most of them—109 in all—were saved. It was the passengers who perished—a fact which subsequently aroused harsh criticism.

Ships which had sped to the rescue could only stand by while the *Morro Castle* blazed. They picked up many of the passengers who had thrown themselves into the sea.

But the most measure of that night's incidents was still to be played out. The blazing ship drifted on to a sandbar just off the pleasure resort of Asbury Park.

As dead bodies were being washed ashore the Park's slickest showman, Carl Bischoff, decided to cash in on the, to him, heaven-sent attraction.

He fenced off the beach and the Convention Hall—and charged 25 cents a head for

the privilege of watching the final hours of the dying ship.

But he went further than that. As the vessel had come to rest on its territory he claimed ownership—and threatened to sue the United States Government when officials tried to board the vessel.

At the subsequent court hearing Chief Officer Warrus and his Chief Engineer, Eben S. Abbott—one of the first to escape in a lifeboat—were gaoled for 10 years and each fined \$2,000 for neglecting their duties that night.

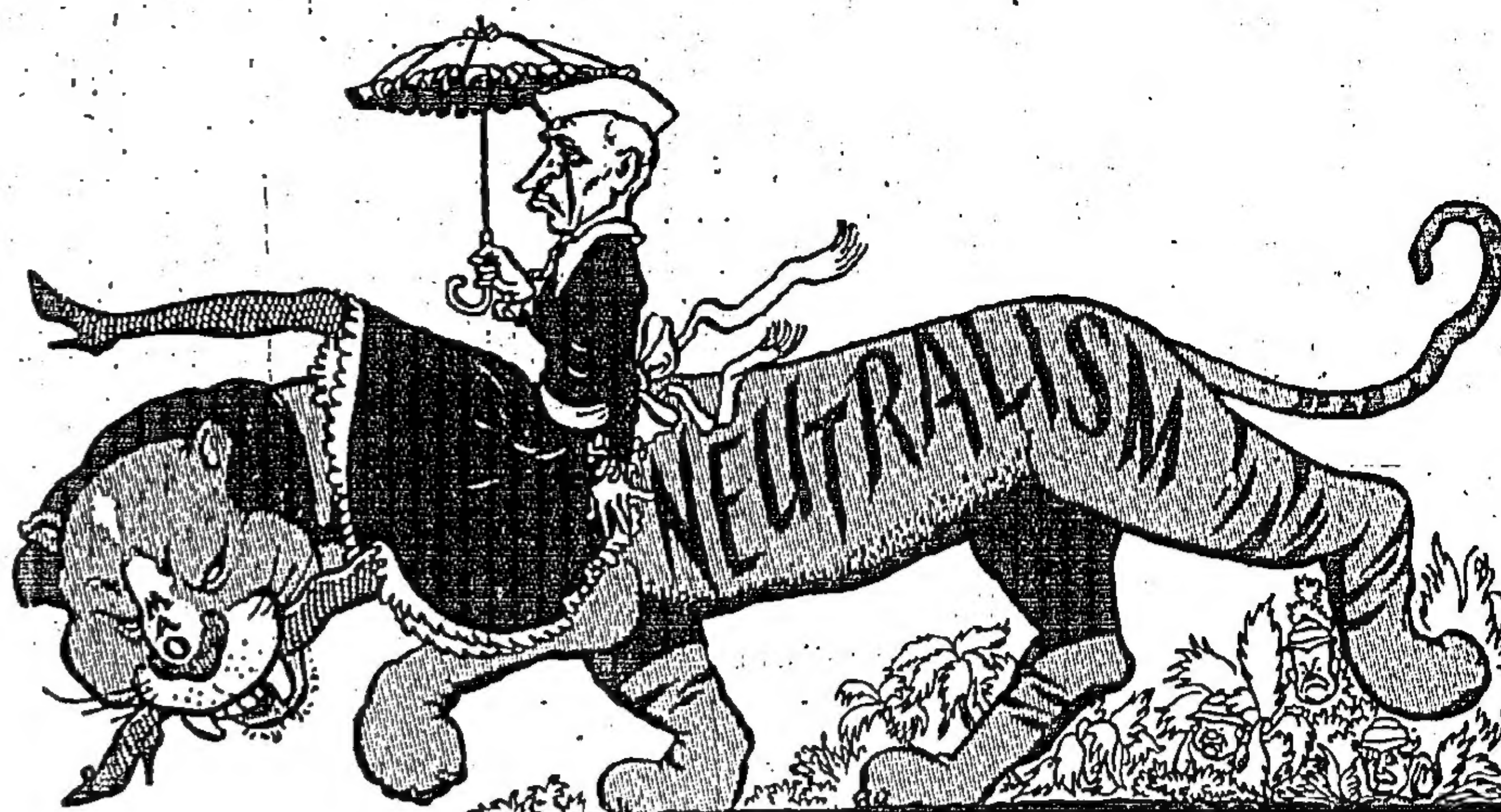
But the sentences were quashed later, on the hearing of new evidence.

Was it sabotage—or sheer folly that caused this needless tragedy which cost 134 lives that September day?

No one knows. To this day the cause of the *Morro Castle* fire remains an unsolved mystery.

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FRIDAY SPOTLIGHT by CUMMINGS



There was a young lady of Riga, who went for a ride on a tiger... London Express Service.

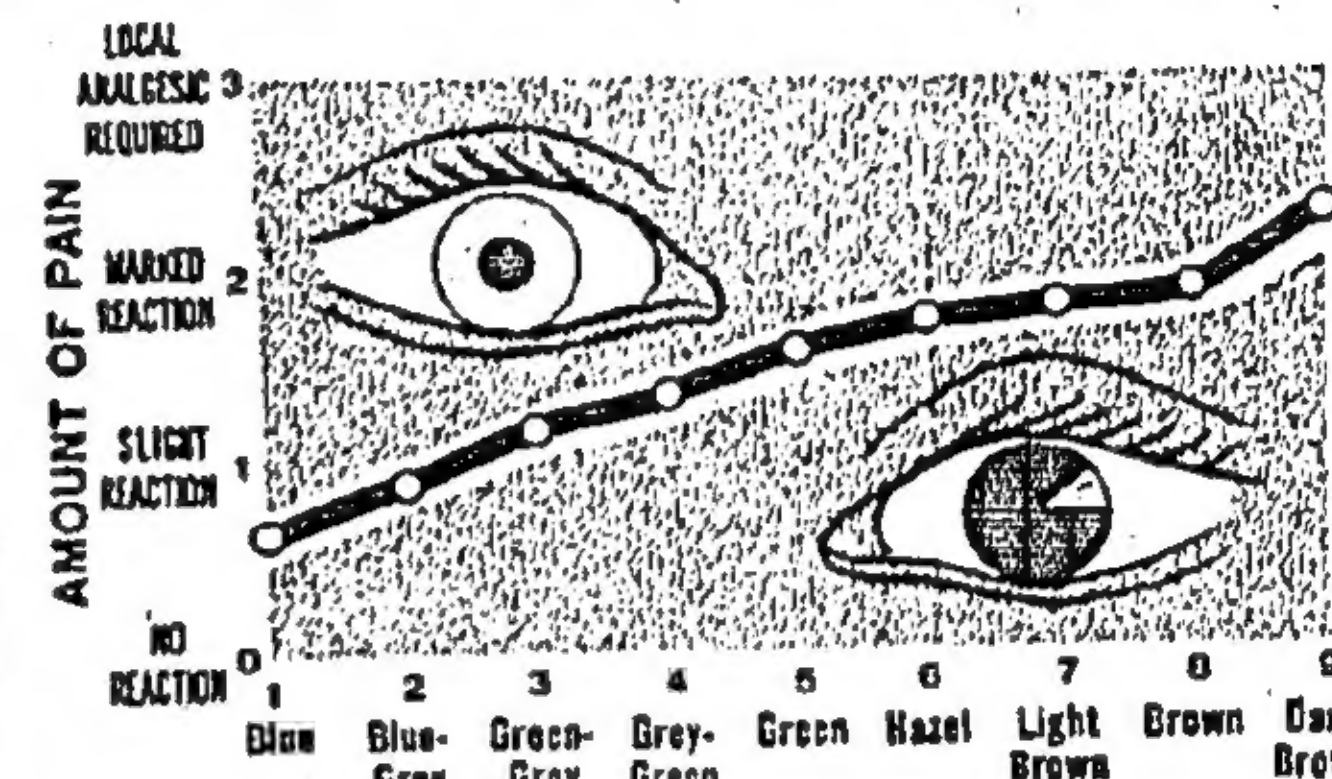
Are you a blue-eyed type?

THEN YOU
FEEL PAIN
LEAST
—SCIENTIST

IF your eyes are blue you can bear more pain than people with brown eyes, says an Australian scientist.

After testing more than 400 people Mr Philip Sutton claims that the colour of your eyes and the extent to which you feel pain are closely connected.

The different eye colours, ranging from greyish-blue through hazel to brown, fit in perfectly between the two extremes as shown on the chart.



Mr Sutton discovered a marked reaction and those who felt pain so severely that they had to be given nerve-dulling injections.

His findings were surprisingly consistent, he claims in the Journal Nature.

To make sure they were not fakes he released more than 100 of the patients later and found that their reaction to pain remained consistent.

The link between pain and eye colour seems to exist at all ages.

—London Express Service.

QUOTE

—by Mr Arthur Exton, Derby magistrates' clerk, when Mrs Eva Thorpe, aged 58, of Noble Street, Derby, woman shoplifter, asked to have her name and address withheld from the newspapers—

THEY have a right to use it. When the freedom of the Press goes we can all watch out. The free Press is something to which we have a right and of which we should be proud.

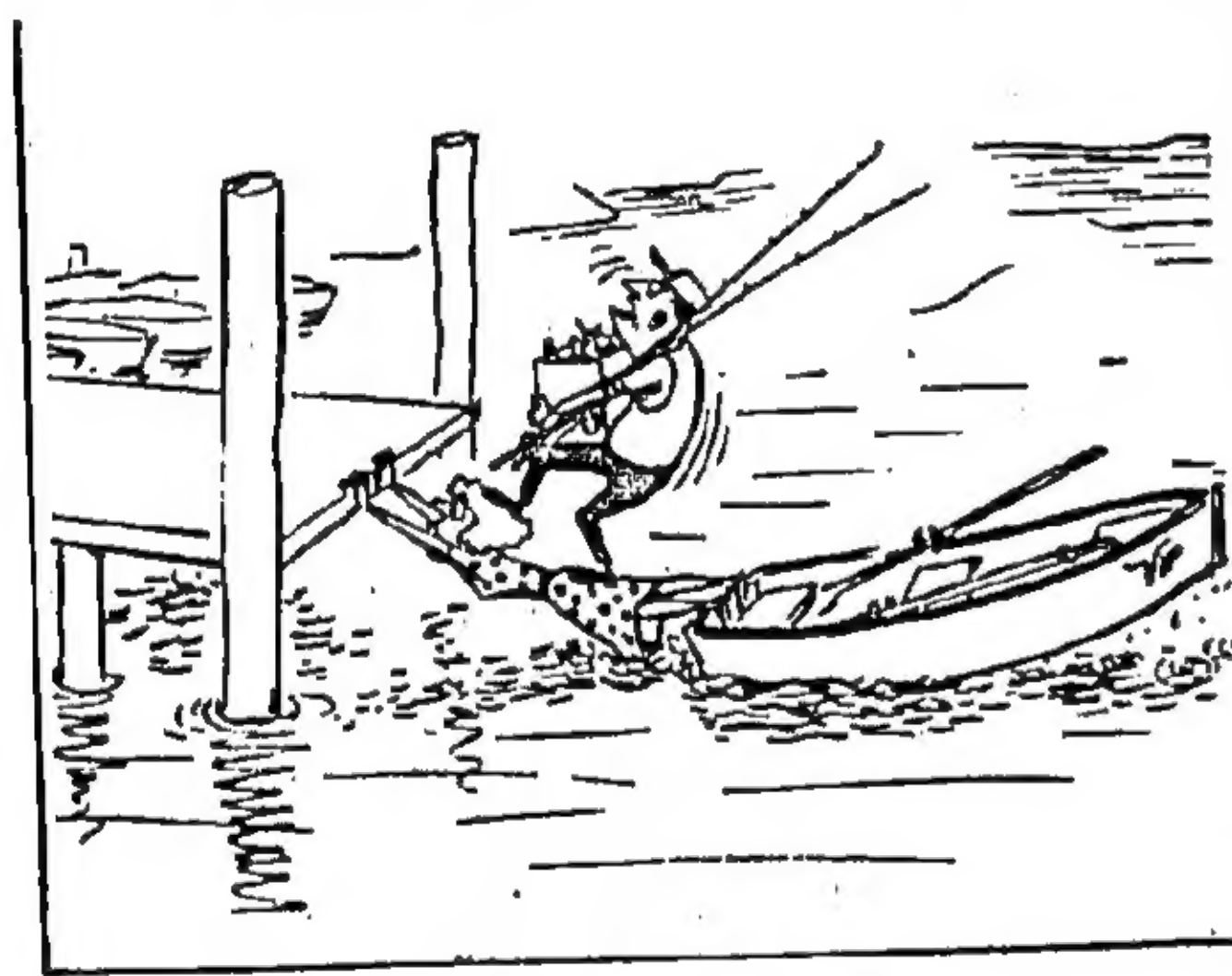
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—by Mr C. S. Marsh chairman, at Wimbledon juvenile court, in conditionally discharging four boys for driving away a bulldozer—

I AM fascinated by bulldozers and would like to have a go in one. But I leave them alone because I don't know anything about them. I hope your parents will deal with you in such a way that it will make you shudder the next time you see a bulldozer.

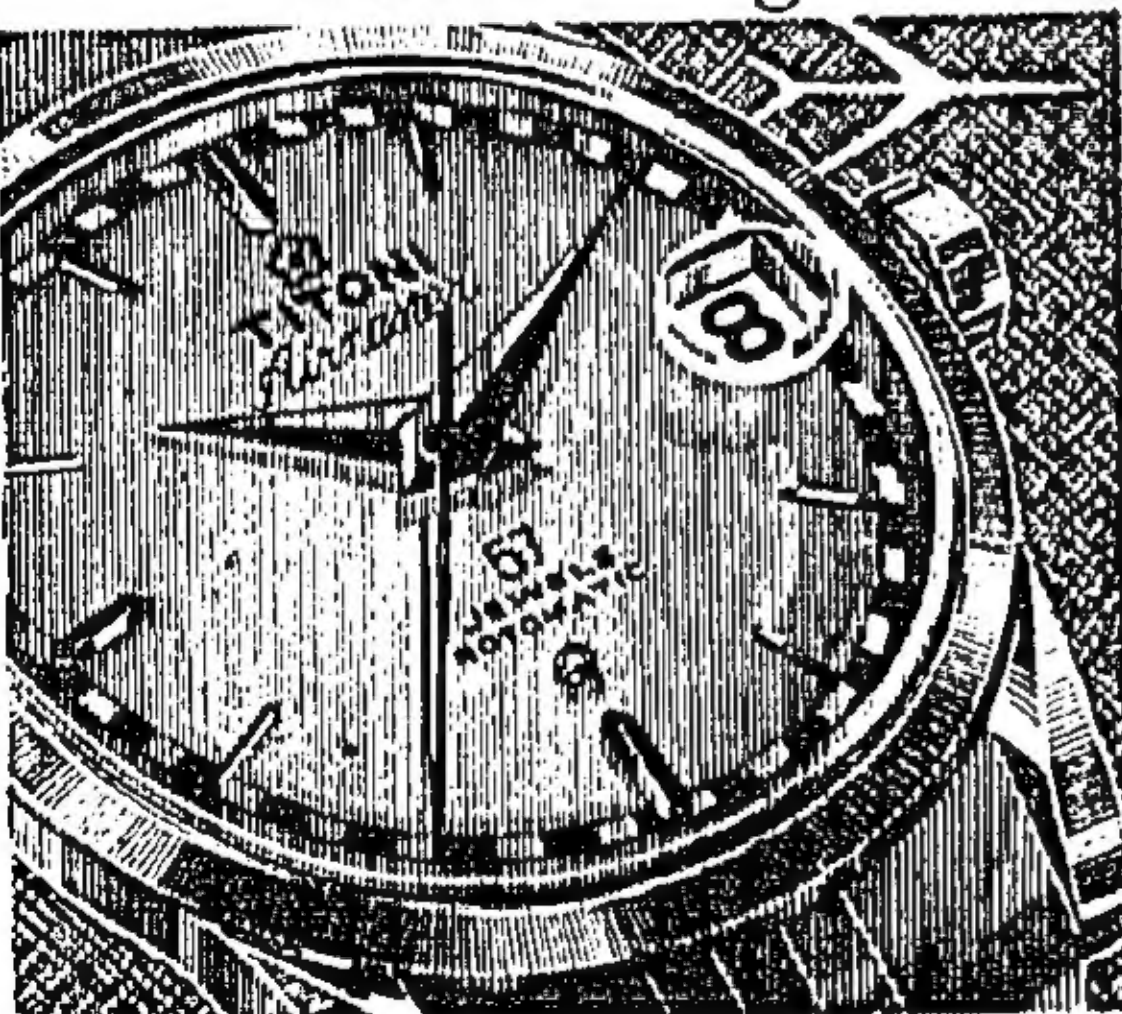
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The Chemistry of Love

LOVE is the X-Factor. Such is the conclusion of today's expert. But pray do not be alarmed—algebra is not rearing its ugly head. It is still the chemistry of love that is under discussion, by one who is a master at the mixing of emotional formulas.

by RONALD HANDYSIDE

“THERE are only 39 people in the whole world. Don't ask me how I arrive at that figure! But, I repeat, there are only 39 people in the world.”

Speaker: Carl Foreman, 45, husband, father, film writer-producer (“High Noon,” “Bridge on the River Kwai,” “The Key”), successful survivor of the McCarthy purges in Hollywood, and honoured guest in Britain so long now that he might be described as “The Man Who Came To Tea.”

Scene: His pleasantly cluttered office above Piccadilly. Populated at this moment by himself, myself, his pretty American assistant called Virginia, and gurgling, green she-parrot called Stella (after the girl in his film, “The Key”). Subject: under discussion: The Chemistry of Love.

Antipathy

“When I talk about 39 people,” says Foreman, striding to a far corner of the room and turning to address us with Quiet-American intensity, “I mean that the same people are attracted to the same people all over the world all through their lives. We all fall for the same physical types. When men and women are unhappy together and break up—what happens? They turn round and have an affair with someone of exactly the same type as the person they've just left.”

“Gones call out to genes. Chromosomes to chromosomes. It's inevitable. It's exactly as you say—chemistry.”

“But,” I say, “aren't all men really looking for their mothers?”

“No—some maybe, but not all. Freud can't explain everything—only a part. And chemistry—the genes and the chromosomes—that can only explain a part too. There is still what I call the X-Factor. Love is the X-Factor.”

Gurgie, gurgie, goes the parrot.

“I've told you what I believe about the chemistry of attraction. There is also the chemistry of repulsion: Love that is based on hidden antipathy, aggression.”

“I don't think aggression is present in all love relationships; but it is in many.”

The telephone rings. Foreman, sitting at his desk under one of those very office-signs of those who play in your Americans love—“It is better to be rich and healthy than poor and sick”—takes the call and then buzzes to someone to arrange a flight, booking.

“Mr Foreman,” I say, “Virginia tells me you're still looking for two girls to play in your new film—‘The Guns of Navarone.’ You've interviewed scores, but you still haven't found the faces you want. Why? I mean, aren't there any actresses with the necessary chemistry?”

“Look,” he says, “I would be delighted to make a picture with Bergman, with Deborah—

Deborah Kerr—with Marilyn Monroe, with Sophia Loren—all of them wonderful.”

“But—I'm not in love with them any more!”

“When you've been in pictures as long as I have—20 years or so—you can't detach yourself from your audience. And the audience now is a different audience.”

“Look, the generation before mine—they went to the movies

“One of the sicknesses of motion pictures is that the public have been glutted with any number of beautiful, desirable creatures. Hundreds of them. The cool Swedish beauties, the English roses, the virginal American girls.”

“In the libraries and in the theatres people could still go to pictures and cut themselves off from the drab world and have their romantic fantasies with the world's most beautiful women or handsome men.”

“It was the greatest collective haven ever created!”

“But now—well, you know what happens to Casanova? He gets tired. Bored. Harder and harder to titillate.”

“The public is now like Casanova...”

“You will see her type all over France, all over Europe. She is the product of a postwar generation that grew up in an atmosphere of doubtful insecurity, with a complete lack of regard for anything that happened before their time.”

“They all have the same childlike faces—not faces, masks, facades of virginity concealing a vast amount of dreadful knowledge.”

“Brightie Bardot,” he sums up, “is no accident.”

The inter-com buzzes. The latest girl candidate for a part in “The Guns” is announced. Virginia and I rise to go on a smooth, brown girl is shown in.

“Outside, Virginia and I look at each other and shake our heads simultaneously. ‘She hasn't got it,’ we are thinking. ‘X-Factor missing.’”

“The girl didn't get the part. Foreman goes on looking. But, as he said, there are only 39 people in the world...”

Monday:
Love and the Sense...

—(London Express Service).

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tablespoons of fresh lime or lemon juice and some finely chopped mint. When thickened, fold in well-drained canned fruit cocktail and a sliced banana. Chill in a square pan.

A good use for left-over corn-cob j's waffles. Add half a cup of corn kernels to standard waffle recipe.

MORE QUARTER-FINALISTS IN U.S. TENNIS

Maria Bueno, Darlene Hard Reach Last Eight In Ladies' Event

Forest Hills, Sept. 10.

Wimbledon champion Maria Bueno of Brazil outlasted the women's quarter-finals of the U.S. tennis singles championships today by defeating Joanne Arth of St Paul Minnesota, 4-6, 6-3, 7-5 in the playoff of a match stopped by darkness yesterday.

Miss Bueno, 19-year-old sensation of the season, won the single set played today despite a lapse after running up a 5-1 lead on the 24-year-old St Paul school-teacher.

The Brazilian lost her touch completely and dropped four straight games on errors before pulling herself together to break Miss Arth's service for a 6-5 lead. Maria held service to win the match, scoring a service ace and a volley placement for the final point.

Darlene Hard of Montebello, California, runner-up last year and at Wimbledon this year, won a rain-delayed match against 18-year-old Farel Footman of San Francisco after a long third-set struggle, 4-6, 7-5, 8-6.

Four Match Points

Miss Footman led 3-1 in the last set and fought off four match points before surrendering her service in the final game. The match, halted yesterday by rain, resumed with Miss Hard leading 4-2 in the second set. The victory put Darlene into the quarter-finals.

Like Brough Clapp of Beverly Hills, California, also made the quarter-finals by defeating Shirley Bloomer Brasher of England, 6-0, 1-6, 6-2. They resumed today at one set each. Mrs. Clapp, former Wimbledon and U.S. champion, will next play Miss Bueno.

Racine Huntz, 10-year-old San Diego, California, star, scored a 6-3, 6-2 victory over Nancy Hickey of San Angelo, Texas, and entered the quarter-finals where next she will play Miss Hard.

Barry Mackay became the third American to reach the men's quarter-finals by overpowering Bob Mark of Australia, 6-4, 6-4, 9-7.

Tremendous

Utilizing his tremendous service with great confidence, third-seeded Mackay defeated the dark-haired Australian, easing to John Bernard Barton and Ilan Henberg in the list of eight survivors. Tomorrow, however, Mackay and Barton must meet and the U.S. representative.

Both seemed to be almost disinterested in the third set. Mackay broke Mark's service in the seventh game on a double-fault and a backhand cross-court placement, and that seemed to settle it.

But Mackay grew too casual as he served in the 10th game and began to hit too hard on his ground strokes. A double-fault and three errors by Mackay allowed a breakthrough and the score was 5-5 instead of the expected 6-4.

Double-Faulted

Both men picked up their games a bit, but it was Mackay who added the most. In the 15th game it went to 30-30, Mackay netted, but Mark double-faulted to rescue Mackay. Then, looking for a point with a forward cross-court placement, and won the match with a net cord shot which dropped over, upsetting Mark's timing so that he netted the easy forward return.

Both men said the court was in bad shape, causing odd bounces. The Mark-Mackay and Ayala-Daily matches were the only singles scheduled today, besides the catch-up matches.

Neale Fraser, Alex Olmedo, Roy Emerson and Rod Laver were not scheduled.—UPI.



West Ham lost their English league first division unbeaten record last Sunday when they lost to Leeds United by 2-1. Photo shows how Leeds scored their winning goal. Gregory, the West Ham goalkeeper spots the danger and advances, but Crowe gets there first. A leap, a flick of the head, and the ball sails into the net. All Gregory can do is look back in anguish.

HOAD, ROSEWALL OUT

Sedgman, Trabert In Final Of World Pro Tennis Tournament

Paris, Sept. 10.

Australia's Frank Sedgman scored a major upset in the semi-finals of the World professional claycourt tennis championships when he defeated an irritable Lewis Hoad, top seed and big favourite in the singles, 3-6, 6-2, 6-0 and 6-2 at the Roland Garros Stadium here today.

Over 5,000 spectators, braving a torrid sun, watched ex-Australian Davis Cupper Hoad, after winning the first set, get all worked up and complain about anything and everything. Usually calm and collected Hoad began to commit errors and faults and violently strike the ball outside the court or into the net.

British Soccer Results

London, Sept. 10.
Results of today's football matches were:
ENGLISH LEAGUE
Division II
Leyton O. 3 Birm & Hove 2
Northampton 2 Gillingham 1
Walsall 2 Carlisle 1
Wolverhampton 2 Aldershot 1
IRISH LEAGUE
Second Round
Coleraine 1 Dangan—Reuter.

Errors And Faults

American Tony Trabert beat Australia's Ken Rosewall 6-2, 6-0, 6-2 in the other semi-final. Rosewall, like Hoad, committed many errors and faults and as if he had lost his reflexes rarely used his backhand—reported the world's best.

Sedgman will meet Trabert in the singles final on Saturday. The doubles semi-finals are scheduled for tomorrow.

In a match to decide the placings Ashley Cooper of Australia defeated Mal Anderson also of Australia 6-1 and 6-3.—AFP.

India Outplayed By S. Vietnam

Singapore, Sept. 10.
India, runners-up in the recently concluded Merdeka soccer festival in Kuala Lumpur, went down to a flatter South Vietnam side, 5-1, here today.

Vietnam, who finished third in the same tournament, dominated play and took the lead in the 20th minute with a booming drive by outside-right Ly Van-tron. This was followed by a beautiful lob by outside-left Hing which took Vietnam to the second half with a 2-0 lead.

Shortly after the interval, India's inside-right Eanjer converted an indirect free kick awarded to his side, and narrowed Vietnam's lead to one.

Vietnam, however, came back strongly with three well spaced goals by outside-left Hing, who scored two, and right-half Nguyen Ngoc-thanh, to finish the match four goals ahead.—Reuter.

Giants Go Down 5-3 To Pirates In National League

New York, Sept. 10.

The Pittsburgh Pirates snapped a four-game losing streak when they rallied for four runs in the seventh inning today to defeat the first-place San Francisco Giants, 5-3, despite a pair of home runs by Willie Mays.

Roberto Clement's two-run single was the key blow in the Pirate rally that sent southpaw Johnny Antonelli down to his eighth defeat. Until the seventh, it appeared Antonelli was on his way toward becoming the Major League's first 20-game winner of the season.

Mays' 28th and 29th homers with the bases empty in the first and fifth innings helped Antonelli to a 2-1 lead and Willie Kirkland made it 3-1 with another homer in the sixth.

Vern Law went all the way for Pittsburgh and won his 16th game although giving up 11 hits.

Win For Braves

Milwaukee's battling Braves climbed to within two games of the lead by defeating the St. Louis Cardinals, 7-4. Trailing 4-3, the Braves rallied for four runs in the seventh. Hank Aaron drove in three of the runs with a double. Johnny Logan singled home the final run of the frame.

Relief pitcher Don McMahon was credited with his fifth victory while Larry McDaniel suffered his 12th loss. Joe Adcock homered for the Braves. Ken Boyer extended his hitting streak to 27 games with a pair of singles.

The Chicago Cubs earned a split when they beat Cincinnati, 6-3, in the night game of a doubleheader after the Reds won the opener, 10-4.

George Altman's bases-loaded double in the eighth inning off Frankie Jim Bailey gave the Cubs their winning margin in the second game. Relief pitcher Bill Henry registered his ninth victory.—UPI.

Results

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Results of today's games are:
Kansas City 100-000-1-4-2
New York 113-020-80-12-20-1
Herbert, Kline (3), Dickson (6), Tomasek (1), Terry (11-11), Hixson (11-11), Kubes (6), Detroit 101-020-80-3-7-0
Lary, Sisk (3), Stump (5), Morgan (6) and Wilson, Monbouquette (6-9) White, LF-Lary (17-8).

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Pittsburgh 100-000-2-10-0
San Francisco 100-011-000-3-11-2
Law (16-9) and Folter; Antonelli, Washington (7), Miller (7), G. Jones (8) and Landrith, LF-Antonelli (19-9), Hixson-Mays 2 (28th & 29th), Kirkland (22nd). (2nd Game)
Cincinnati 101-010-001-3-10-0
Chicago 100-011-022-0-11-2

Two Malayan Badminton Aces To Play In India

Kuala Lumpur, Sept. 10.
Two of Malaya's leading badminton players, Teh Kew-san and Lim Say-hup, will participate in the Western India badminton championship in Bombay from October 1 to 14, it was officially learned here tonight.

Teh Gin-soo, secretary of the Malayan Badminton Association, had declined an invitation to participate in the Cricket Club of India championship in Bombay on September 18.

Malaya, however, is sending three of its promising youngsters to participate in both tournaments at Malaya's own expense, he added.

UBER CUP TIE

Teh also said that the Uber Cup ladies badminton tie between Malaya and India will be held in Bombay sometime before December this year.

The Western India badminton championship is the premier badminton championship in India and is expected to attract international players like Erlend Kops of Denmark, Charnon Wattanasin of Thailand and Tan Joo-hock of Indonesia.—AFP.

Chinese Soccer XI Leave For Formosa

The Chinese football team representing Nationalist Taiwan left Hongkong by CPA for Formosa this morning to play the Thailand XI, in the second match of the preliminary round in the Far Eastern Zone of the forthcoming Olympic Games.

The Thai team will travel to Taiwan this evening to play the return match. They lost the first leg to the Chinese by three goals to one, played in Bangkok on August 30.

The leader of the team is Mr George Sim, President of the Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation.

Hongkong Soccer XI Lose 3-2 To Korea

Penang, Sept. 10.
Korea, the Asian Cup soccer champions, beat Hongkong 3-2 in their farewell game at the City Stadium here tonight.

The Koreans, who played a dashing game, led 2-1 in the first half with goals by inside-left Woo Sang-kwon and inside-right Cho Yoon-ok in the second and 20th minutes.

Inside-right Lee Yuk-tak scored for Hongkong in the 21st minute.

In the second half, centre-half Moon Jung-uk increased the lead for Korea with a beautiful goal in the 40th minute, but four minutes later, substitute outside-left Leo Tak-wai scored for Hongkong.

The Teams

Korea: Pak Sang-hoon, Kim Chung-seok, Kim Hong-bok, Son Myung-sun, Kim Chun-ki, Choi, Tal-sung, Yoo Pan-soon, Cho Yoon-ok, Moon Jung-uk, Yoo Sang-kwon and Kim Jong-keun.

Hongkong: Wong Shiu-woo, Szeto Yiu, Lee Kwok-wah, T. H. Toledo, Ko Po-keung, Chann Chi-keong (Yeung Kwok-kei), T. Watson, Lee Yuk-tak, Lau Kai-chiu (Lee Tak-wai), Lau Chi-lam and Lam Kam-tong.—Reuter.

HK Hockey Club Wants Players

The Hongkong Hockey Club are seeking players for the coming hockey season. They will be holding a meeting this evening at 6 p.m. at the Hongkong Cricket Club, second floor, to elect officers and discuss the season ahead.

Anyone interested in playing for the Hongkong Hockey Club, but unable to attend the meeting, is asked to contact Mr Mike Griffiths, at 37222.

Bruce Tulloh In Bare Feet—Now Kim Hall In Socks



KIM HALL

London, Sept. 10.
Welsh golfer Kim Hall set a new fashion in golfing attire during an amateur golf championship at Royal Lytham and St Annes, Lancashire, today by playing in his socks.

Hall, a Flight Lieutenant in the RAF, who recently returned from service in Hongkong, took his shoes off to play a few holes of his singles.

He explained: "My feet felt so tired I thought I would give them a rest from shoes. In Hongkong, where the fairways run alongside the sea, we often played in bare feet, and wearing a swimming costume, and went in for a swim when the going got too hot."

Another British sports star, international long-distance runner Bruce Tulloh, caused a stir recently in London and Moscow by competing for Great Britain in his bare feet. Tulloh also served his apprenticeship in Hongkong.—AFP.

Indians In Uphill Fight Against Pearce's XI

Scarborough, Sept. 10.

India fought an uphill struggle here today against T. N. Pearce's team. After being 76 runs behind on the first innings, Pankaj Roy and Nari Contractor replied with an opening stand of 74 and at the close of play the Indians had scored 141 for four wickets. Roy with 79 to his credit remains to carry on tomorrow, but India stand only 65 ahead with six wickets left.

Trevor Bailey, who captained Pearce's men, played a big part in seeing his side in front. He stayed two and a quarter hours while the total went from 82 to 226 before he relaxed his concentration and was leg before going for a big hit.

Top Scorers

Ken Barrington drove splendidly in sharing top score with Bailey. Later Freddie Trueman drove Charles Borde twice for six and helped himself to three fours in an over from Bapu Nadkarni.

Surendra Nath again howled well in taking five wickets for 52. P.G. Joshi distinguished himself with some fine work behind the stumps and Nadkarni surprised Geoffrey Evans by hitting the stumps with a left-handed throw from cover.

For once, Roy and Contractor began the Indian batting with such enterprise, that the first 50 arrived in 47 minutes. Roy, discarding much of his back-foot defence, drove strongly off the front foot and reached his 50 in 110 minutes.

The arrears were cleared for the loss of Contractor who, at 74, was decieved by the third ball sent down by Ray Illingworth.

With Illingworth spinning sharply from the off, the game turned against India. Bailey took his 60th wicket of the season appropriately at 60 when Barrington neatly held Abbas Ali Baig low at slip. Then, while Roy defended so carefully that he scored only two runs in half an hour, Illingworth dismissed Nadkarni.

Scores

Scores at close of play were: India: 141 (Jaisrinda not out 83) and 141 for four wickets (Roy not out 79, Contractor 30 and Baig 16, Illingworth 3-22 and Bailey 1-17).

Pearce's XI: 252 (Barrington 46, Bailey 48 and Trueman not out 39, Surendra Nath 5-52 and Borde 2-53).—AFP.

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£40,000 fiasco?

A £40,000 FIASCO. That is what some people are saying about Arsenal's big splash on Mel Charles, and SOME PEOPLE include club officials who were hopelessly angling at the same time as Arsenal, but failed to land the catch. They say that—

★ Charles, a born footballer bracketed 12 months ago in the same world class as his celebrated brother John, has not yet hit the high spots at Highbury.

★ That although Mel was originally acquired as a centre-half Arsenal soon had to cut a large helping of humble pie by recalling Bill Dodgin, transfer-listed at £25,000 less than they had to pay Swansea for Charles.

★ That it has led to Tommy Docherty being dropped and becoming unsettled after playing a leading role in Arsenal's amazing revival last season.

Switch Him, Or...

How right are these critics? Soccer personalities are so scarce nowadays that football generally, let alone Arsenal, can ill afford to have the big Welsh international written off as an expensive flop.

There is a danger of that happening unless Arsenal switch him into the forward line, or curb his goal-prospecting inclinations.

As an attacking force Mel impresses me as being near value for the colossal amount of lolly shelled out for him, but as a half-back intent on upfield expeditions among the goals he is too frequently caught floundering in a man's land, leaving a wide gap between him and the defence.

Hates Label

Is the £40,000 tab weighing too heavily on his broad shoulders? Does he get on well with the rest of the lads at Highbury?

Colleague Bill Morton put these questions to Charles in Swansea last week. This is what he has to say:

"I hate this £40,000 label. When I ran out on to the field for the first game this season I was terrified. And then when I played a jittery game the boys started. But I can honestly say they don't trouble me. Still, the sooner people forget how much money Arsenal paid for me the better.

"There have been rumours that I am not settling down well at Highbury, but take no notice of them. Perhaps I'm not yet as happy at Highbury as I was at Swansea, but then Swansea is my home town."

Great Game

Charles admits he has not been playing as well as he can so far this season, at least not until last week. "I am taking some time to settle in, but against Nottingham Forest I had a great game—although I say it myself."

The fact is Mel and his wife Vera are finding it very hard to break with the old Swansea ties. THEY ARE HOMESICK.

Last week they exchanged their sedate family runabout for a car that will cover the journey from London to South Wales swiftly.

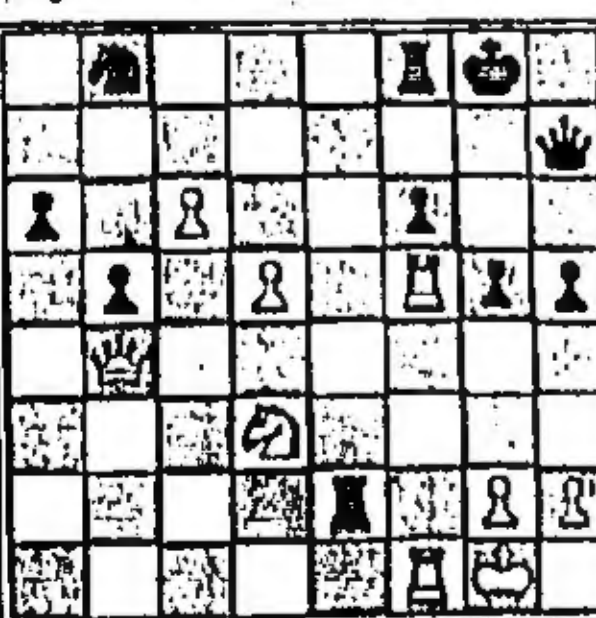
John Next

Why was Mel in Swansea, and not at Highbury? To be near his wife when she had her baby, which could be another good reason why he has not been pulling up any trees of late.

My verdict: Far from being a flop, Mel is going to be a candidate for the "Footballer of the Year" title when he gets to know the play of his Arsenal colleagues. As for home sickness that could be remedied in due course by big brother John and

CHESS

by LEONARD BARDEN



Here is a position w... by Gligoric, the Yugoslav, who is reckoned to be the strongest challenger to the Russians in the coming world title contest. White... move and win.

Solution No. 5880: 1 B-R3, P-R4; 2 Q-R5 ch, K-R2; 3 P-B3, K-Q1; 4 Q-Q7, or 1... P-Kt5; 2 Q-Q7, or 1... P-Kt5; 2 Q-Q7, or 1... P-Kt5. A pretty idea; the position was sent by Mr. J. A. Hadden, of Cleveland, U.S.A.

London Express Service.

The Gossips 'Knock At' Mel Charles

By CAPEL KIRBY

his wife settling in the North London area!

★ I'm assured there's nothing to justify Larry Baxter's name being linked with Sunderland. The slightly Torquay right winger is 28, and that doesn't tie up with Alan Brown's youth policy at Hoker.

★ Neither is there any cause for apprehension at Southampton, where the close season signing of Roy Winstock from Derby County has been misinterpreted in some quarters as a prelude to the Saints cashing in on 20-year-old John Sydenham.

★ "His promotion we're after, so I'm unlikely to part with either of the two best young wingers in the country," says manager Ted Bates. The other of course, is Terry Payne.

Watching Tom

Birmingham had a representative watching Brighton's reserve team at Portsmouth last week. Reason for the journey was Tom Bisset, the right back who made 28 League team appearances last season, but was



★ MEL CHARLES. Arsenal should switch him into the forwards, or curb his goal-prospecting inclinations.

dropped when Brighton signed Bob McNicol from Accrington.

Scottish Star

Bradford manager Walter Gairbairn's holiday habit may have given Scotland a budding international centre-forward.

★ When he was Accrington boss, Walter spent his breaks in the south of Scotland watching "unknowns" in junior soccer.

★ And it was there that he found Harvey McCreadie, a 16-year-old boy who is keeping Third Division centre-halves on their toes.

★ His fame's spreading, too. Manchester United, Blackburn Rovers and Burnley are just three big clubs keeping an eye on what could be a future Scottish centre-forward.

HENRY LONGHURST on GOLF BETTER AFTER LUNCH

I HAVE just been enjoying, as is my custom when left alone at home to tend for myself, a splendid lunch consisting of seven different kinds of vegetable, all of which were growing in the garden an hour or two before.

As I sat ruminating idly on the excellence of the fare and the pleasure it had given me to go and gather it in, I began to reflect on golf-club lunches great and small, their diversity and cost, their vast general improvement in the past few years, and how, never mind the conditions of the green, by which I do not mean the "school cabbage" which is still regrettably served up in some clubs where they ought to know better—it is so often the lunch that makes or mars a day's golf.

19,000 Lunches

For myself, I have never been one for the enormous "West End" lunches so popular in many London clubs, though I sympathise with those who do like to do this well themselves, whether in their own club at weekends or as members of some mid-week visiting society enjoying a day out.

★ One celebrated club a year or two ago served no fewer than 19,000 such lunches, which, while they may add a shilling or two to the cost of a day's golf, certainly bring joy to the finance committee.

★ My own favourites are those which have a character of their own and never change. At Rye, if any hot dish appeared other than scrambled egg and, possibly, sausage, I suppose half the members would resign, and rightly. At Mildenhall it was poached egg, ham and sausage, followed by Mrs. Williams's apple pie—the proper thing in a place with inverted egg cup, not one of those flat, open affairs you buy in shops—and large jugs of cream.

★ It is good, I think, for a club to have a special unvarying item of its own, like, for instance, the slip soles at Addington.

★ I remember, too, my great delight on revisiting Pine Valley

after the war, when the old coloured waiter came up with the exact words that some of us had memorized with affection many years before and nostalgically quoted since: "Swanee soup, cant'loope or razz-berries."

★ I must not be led off into recollection of American country-club lunches where so often a visit to the half-way house, after nine holes and two and a half hours, involves what we should regard almost as a complete lunch, to be followed three hours later by the full treatment in the men's grill. It occurs to me that if lunch were on at 12 and off at 2, it would alter the speed, and therefore the entire character of American golf!

★ Shortage of staff has led to one supreme improvement in golf-club lunches, namely self-service.

★ It is the habit of golfers to come in after the morning round, and talk nonsense in the bar until such time as, suddenly and all at once, they want their lunch now, this moment I know few who would not rather "come and get it" now than sit and wait for the best service in the world.

A Pioneer

★ The West Sussex club at Palsborough, where they also put out the drinks on a help-yourself basis, was a pioneer in this connection and any club that does not have some of Geoffrey Hutchinson's blue Cheshire cheese to "come and get" should replace the chairman of the house committee.

★ Spectators' lunches at tournaments, often in the past exorbitantly bad, have also, aided by the 90-second infra-red grill, kept pace with the time and become uncommonly good. Presiding over the organisation you will find a silver-haired figure of benevolent aspect, Mr. Jock Christie, V.C., who won his medal at Gallipoli and is secretary of the V.G.s' Association.

★ Liquid refreshment also plays its part in the average golfer's day and though virtually a footnote to myself, I have noted that coffee as a whole do their fair share towards providing the Chancellor's iniquitous £700 million a year and keeping the club on a sound financial basis.

★ Records of the early days show that they played for, or fined each other, a couple of bottles of claret or a "trappit hot"—a measure of refreshment not a layer of eggs—on the slightest pretext and, though we have come a long way since the days when they used to leave a bottle of whisky in the hut at Formby marked "2d. the small go, 4d. the large go" there are still many who require a little Dutch courage to convince themselves that the age old slogan "better after lunch" will not be as false today as it proved yesterday.

Gin And Kummel

★ From observations, and perhaps from a certain amount of trial and error, I conclude that the after-lunch fortification of the true golfer is Kummel or, as some connoisseurs prefer, gin-and-kummel. Port is a sure and a delusion. I can remember as though yesterday when playing for Cambridge against Worcester, my opponent-to-be in the singles saying "a glass of port, my boy?" "Thank you, sir," said I, feeling very much the grown-up, and a huge heaver was brought. I started 4 & 4 2 and was three up thankful at so early an age to have discovered the secret of golf.

★ The rest of the story need not be told, but if one or two undergraduates whom I played and defeated in later years now have the scales lifted from their eyes, I am sure they will understand. All is fair in love, golf and war and no one likes being beaten by an undergraduate. And anyway the quicker you learn the better.

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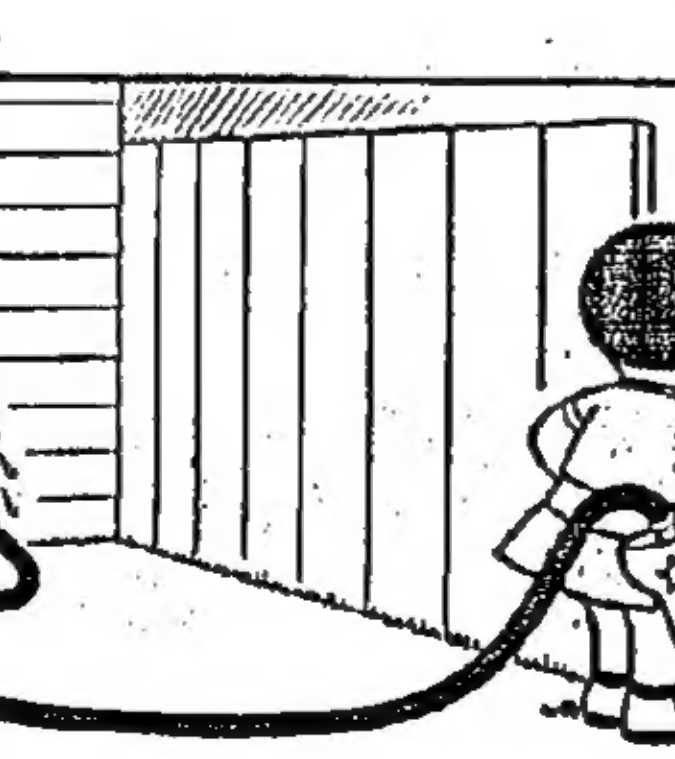
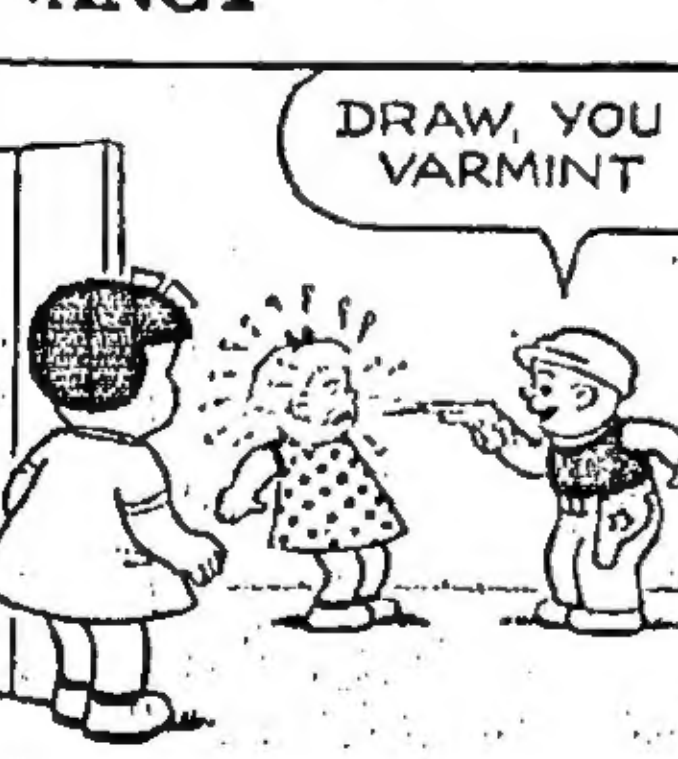
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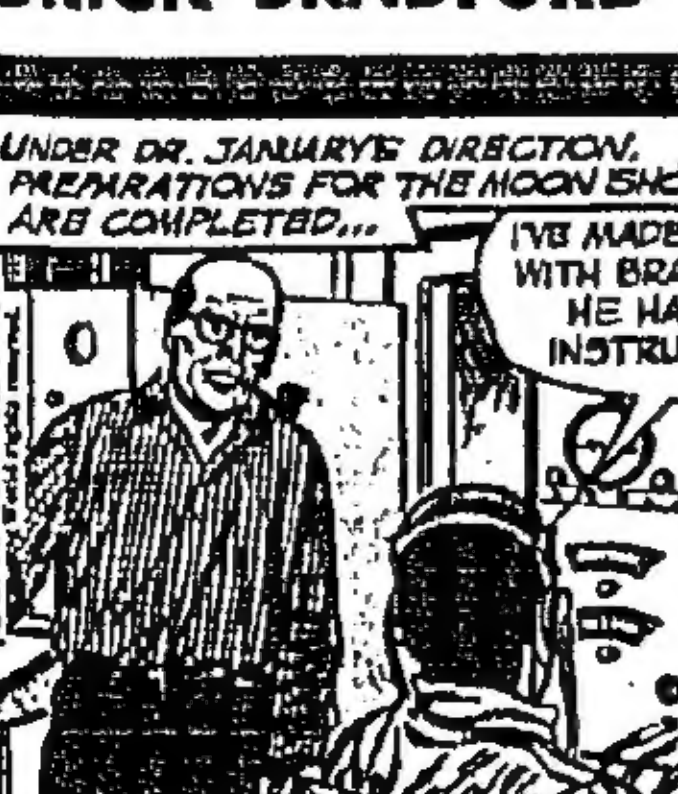
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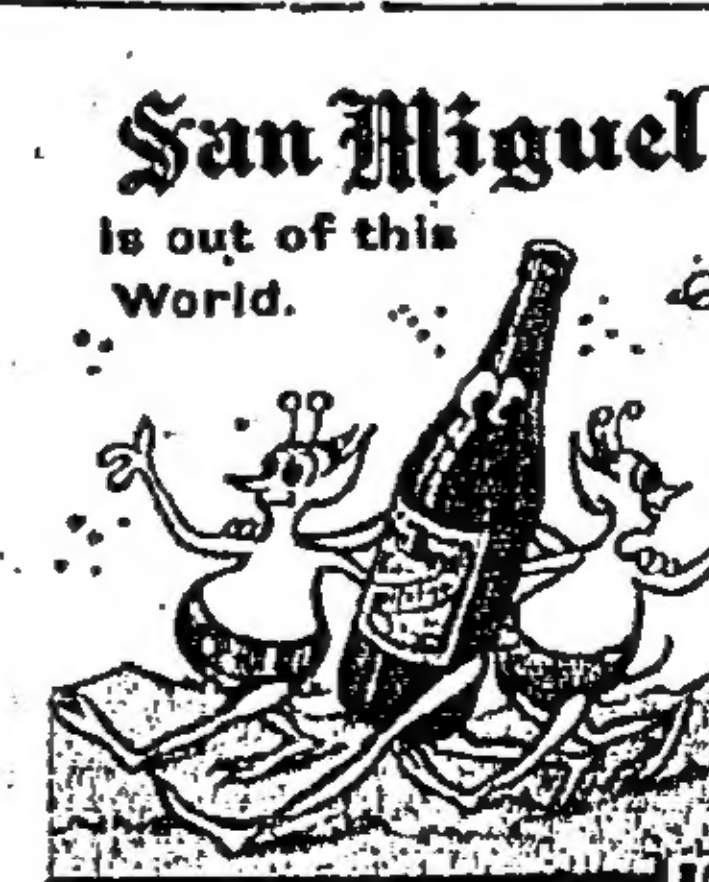


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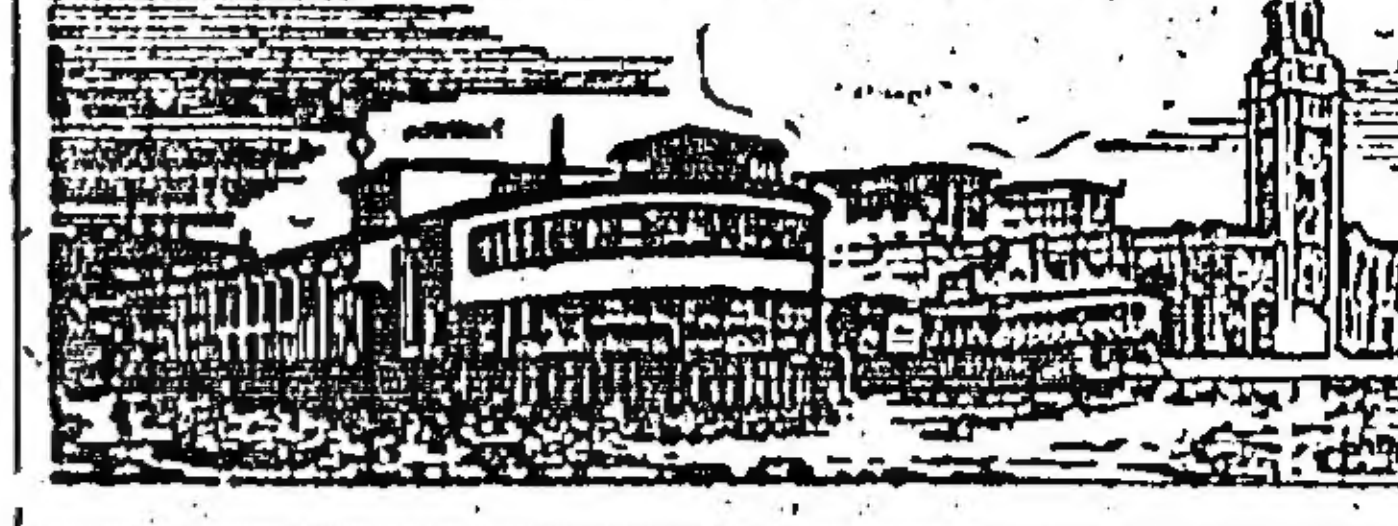
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CELEBRITY PAGE

THE DUKE'S REAL AMBITION

THE Duke of Kent has been telling friends that, if it were not for his royal obligations, he would like to become a full-time racing motorist. Says an officer in the Duke's regiment, the Scots Greys: "He makes no secret of what he would really like to do in life. And I think he would make a great success of it."

The Duke, I am told, has developed into a first-rate driver. He has learned by his early mistakes—he crashed four times between 1953 and 1957—and, though he still drives fast, he never takes unnecessary risks. He is proving to be a very efficient officer, and is extremely popular. Officially he is known in his regiment as Prince Edward. He used to be called Eddie by his friends in London, but now his brother officers use a more businesslike name—Ted.



The Duke of Kent

GIRLFRIENDS HAVE A LONG WEEKEND

FINDING themselves short of girl friends for the British Army Horse Show in Münster, Germany, the Duke of Kent and his fellow officers of the Royal Scots Greys asked 10 London girls to go over for a long weekend.

The girls came back to London, tired after late night parties. One of the girls was 11-year-old Countess Carolyn Gernin, who went with her friend, Fiona Fairfax, 10. Carolyn's mother, Countess Maude Gernin, said: "She had a wonderful time. It seems she got only four and a half hours' sleep on the whole trip. So, of course, she's absolutely exhausted."

The schedule was certainly brisk. There was a formal welcome cocktail party on the first day; at midnight, formality forgotten, the party was still going on. The next day was spent on horseback, practising for the show, and there was a late party in the mess.

On the day after, everybody was in riding gear for the horse show, and that was followed by a gala dance, which lasted until dawn.

The girls all had to pay their own fares, there and back.

VISCOUNT Montgomery went down among the sailors last week-end and offered a piece of salty advice to the cadets at the Royal Naval College, Dartmouth. "When you become a great commander-in-chief," he said, "my advice is that you should say another prayer. 'O Lord, teach me to be right when I am wrong and help me to live with others when I am right.'"

ROXY & BROADWAY "The Oregon Trail," starring Fred MacMurray, William Bishop and Nina Shipman.

LEE & ASTOR: "Heart of a Man," starring Frankie Vaughan, Anne Heywood and Tony Britton.

METROPOLE: "Too Many Crooks," starring Terry Thomas, George Cole and Brenda de Banzie.

RITZ: "Bonjour Tristesse," starring Deborah Kerr and David Niven.

MAJESTIC: "Too Cold in Alex," starring John Mills and Sylvia Sims.

ORIENTAL: "The World, the Flesh and the Devil," starring Harry Belafonte and Inger Stevens.

STATE: "Nekshaw Man" (Japanese film). Also stage show by Toho stars.

CAPITOL: "A Thousand and One Nights," starring Cornel Wilde and Evelyn Keyes.

The rainbow pigeons

RICHARD HEBER - PERCY, 45, wishing to make his gardens look more attractive, has dyed a number of pigeons and set them loose to fly about the place.

"I've got green ones, yellow, blue, crimson, and raffron. They look absolutely charming," Mr. Heber-Percy, who has a 1,000-acre farm in Gloucestershire, tells me.

"My idea is quite unique, I believe. I dip the birds in a special preparation. It soon dries and off they flap, perfectly happy."

"They're lame, of course like my budgies. There are about 50 of them flying around. I would never cage them; they're so friendly."

"I would like to try my hand on some of my sheep next. They would look much prettier if they were pink, or blue."

Mr. Heber-Percy can well afford to indulge his quaint ideas. He was left the best part of £200,000 by Lord Berners, the author and painter, who died nine years ago.

"The only drawback," he says, "is that foolish people keep offering to buy my pigeon eggs in the hope that they will hatch out coloured birds. How absurd!"

The Duke has been in America having treatment for his left hip, which was injured during a fall from a horse, though he can drive his station wagon, he told me.

Frogs wanted

IMPULSIVE as ever, the Duke of Bedford has made himself responsible for the British entries in an international sporting event which takes place in America next year.

It is a rather ridiculous contest, but that does not deter the Duke. And his staff is now busy recruiting suitable entrants for the Frog Long-Jump Championship of the World.

He has already advertised in several newspapers, saying he has "full stabling and training facilities" for frogs at Woburn Abbey, his home in Bedfordshire, and suggesting that anyone who knows of any particularly sturdy frog should send it along.

The Duke is abroad at the moment, but when he returns I understand he will select a frog trainer from among the keepers at his private zoo, who, meanwhile, are exploring the 13 lakes on his estate for possible competitors.

The championship will be held in San Andreas, California. The winner will be the frog which travels furthest in three consecutive jumps. First prize is US\$1,500 (about £535).

Benjamin is the son of Mr John's son Edwin John—who divides his career between boxing and painting. He won a scholarship to the college. Then the London County Council refused him a grant—and Benjamin's future hung in the balance.

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The unsuspected secret three rich men have shared..

They're all housed

WITH a swift dash from the South of France to Brussels, King Baudouin has settled the rehousing problem of the Belgian royal family, and forestalled any future in-law trouble for his brother Prince Albert.

King Baudouin interrupted his holiday in order to bring about the family split-up. HE will now live in solitary state in his palace at Laeken. PRINCE ALBERT and his bride, Princess Paola of Italy, will move straight into Belvedere Palace — two royal parks away from Baudouin.

EX-KING LEOPOLD, his wife, Liliane and their three children go to Castle Argenteuil, an ugly, end-of-the-century, many-lowered chateau, well buried — in the woods around Waterloo.

Argenteuil was offered to Leopold's younger brother Prince Charles after Leopold's return from wartime exile. Charles refused to live there because it was out of the way and reputed to be damp.

They are of the hitherto unheard-of family Nedas. But last week alone in his red-brick terraced house in a fading street in Maida Vale Mrs Dora Nedas, their 65-year-old mother, told me something of their life and times.

There was Sybil, 44, now Mrs Joseph; Elizabeth, 40, whose marriage to Mr de Sola has been dissolved; and Edna, 38, wife of Harold Saragat, a near neighbour of the Prime Minister in Sussex.

"They all married when they were 18—snapped up quickly, I suppose," said Mrs Nedas. "They all married from this old house. That's why I don't want to leave it and go to a modern flat—it's too full of memories here."

"I never gave them any advice, but I've always said love can fly out of the window whether you are rich or poor, so you may as well be comfortable."

"I'm independent. I don't need any help from my daughters, thank heaven, though they are always wanting to buy me dresses and presents," she said.

"It's rather wonderful when I look back and think of my sons-in-law as young boys courting my daughters. I thought they had capabilities then—but they weren't millionaires."

"Even now Raphael isn't as wealthy as Harold and Maxwell. But they have all had to work very hard for their money."

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Macmillan's Opponent?

LADY PAKENHAM, 54-year-old wife of the Labour peer, may oppose the Prime Minister, Mr Harold Macmillan, at the General Election.

She is on the short list of potential candidates to be interviewed this month by the Labour Party's selection committee in Bromley, Kent, Mr Macmillan's constituency.

Lady Pakenham, writer, television and radio personality—and mother of eight children—has contested two elections before, the last time at Oxford. In 1950, when she unsuccessfully opposed Mr Quintin Hogg, now Lord Hailsham.

She tells me: "I am afraid I must keep absolutely mum about this. Anything that is to be said must come from the Bromley Labour Party."

Note: at the last General Election, in a straight fight, Mr Macmillan was returned with a majority of 13,130.

Unquiet Mews
THERE was a time when the residents of Willmow, Belgrave, who share their mews with a well-patronised public house, had only the sound of car exhausts to disturb the peace of Sundays.

All that was changed by a High Court order banning cars from the road. In answer, the younger patrons staged a race there yesterday in everything from bath tubs to scooters.

The mews was jammed with 200 of the brightest young things, including a young man called Jimmy in hunting outfit who was standing under a Union Jack playing a jazz trumpet into a tape recorder.

In the mews, residents remembered the sweet calm of the days of motor traffic and secured the windows.

I suppose it happens at tourist time all the year round, but I personally may not hear it in Ludgate Circus. An American and his wife were studying a famous plaque. Said the wife: "But honey, who was this guy Edgar Wallace?"

THE audience on an "observational platform" at a London building site is provided with telephones. When visitors pick up the receiver he is welcomed and given a commentary on the progress of the work in hand.

When the first excitement dies down and the watchers are sick of being told that "Workman Arthur Futtigrew is now handling four swivel-pipes, and looking at cement through binoculars supplied by the contractors, people will grow restive. That will be the moment to bring an actress to sing something. She might be dropped (on to a heap of girders) from a helicopter stationed at the nearest heliport.

Smyrna United
THE Italian team of women footballers, which turned out to be a team of Lancashire girls, explained that they called their club Benfica, after a club they played in Portugal. So far, all is clear. If they had started to play cricket instead of football on their visit to Staffordshire the surprise for the crowd would have been complete, especially if they had changed their club's name to Hishimoto during the tea interval, after a

Japanese lacrosse club against which they had never played.

The tomatoes
A CHINESE farmer is reported to have crossed tomatoes with potatoes. If he can make the result taste of beetroot, every smart restaurant will want to have a supply flown from China. Cosmo Smellingham-Smith, the famous angler, once tried to cross puckerel with mosquitos. The only bite he got was from a mosquito.

Little Bo-Peet
"DADDY, is it not perfect-ly ri-dic-u-lous of France to worry so much about prestige of being a great Pow-er?" "Up-deed it is, child. The French should be made to re-al-ize that they—"

Wo Eng-lish are too sen-si-ble to worry a-bout such things, are we not, dad-dy?" "Of course, well, you see, it's dif-fer-ent—"

"Why, dad-dy?" "Oh, stop tal-king!"

De minimis curat lex
WHAT is the maximum penalty the Law can inflict on a bird-watcher who plants still on the pavement of a London street to watch a

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THE Italian team of women footballers, which turned out to be a team of Lancashire girls, explained that they called their club Benfica, after a club they played in Portugal. So far, all is clear. If they had started to play cricket instead of football on their visit to Staffordshire the surprise for the crowd would have been complete, especially if they had changed their club's name to Hishimoto during the tea interval, after a

Japanese lacrosse club against which they had never played.

MAIL Notices

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11
By Air
Japan, 2 p.m.
Philippines, Dutch New Guinea, Australia, New Zealand & Fiji, 3 p.m.
Lao, 6 p.m.
Japan, 6 p.m.
Hawaii, 6 p.m.
Hankow, 6 p.m.
India, Egypt, 6 p.m.

By Surface
Dr. E. Africa (N. & S. Rhodesia, Nyasaland, parcels via India), 3 p.m.
Macao, 4 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12
By Air
China, People's Republic, 7 a.m.
Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe, noon
Thailand, Pakistan, Malaya, Indonesia, 1 p.m.
Philippines, Guam, 2 p.m.
Australia, New Zealand, Fiji, 3 p.m.
Vietnam, Laos, 6 p.m.
Hawaii, U.S.A., 6 p.m.
Philippines, 6 p.m.
Formosa, Japan, 6 p.m.
Okinawa, Korea, 6 p.m.
China, People's Republic, 6 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.

China, People's Republic, 7 a.m.
Macao, 1 p.m.
North Borneo, Sarawak, New Zealand, Fiji, parcels direct, noon
Philippines (Lebanon parcels direct), 1 p.m.
Japan, U.S.A., U.S.A., 3 p.m.
P.E. Africa, S. Africa, Brazil (Argentina parcels direct), 3 p.m.
Macao, 4 p.m.
China, People's Republic, 6 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13
By Air
Burma, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe, noon
Thailand, Cambodia, Malaya, North Borneo, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand & Fiji, 1 p.m.
Philippines, Dutch New Guinea, 2 p.m.
Japan, Hawaii, 6 p.m.
U.S.A., 6 p.m.

By Surface
Macao, 1 p.m.
Macao, 4 p.m.

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Your Development Is Staggering, Says British MP

British MP, Lord Lambton admitted this morning before going to Taipei that he was staggered by what he had seen in Hongkong.

During his three-day stay in the Colony he saw factories and resettlement estates.

The development he saw was "staggering," he said. He singled out for special mention industrial development, factory planning and the multi-story resettlement blocks. Nowhere in the world was there such a formidable resettlement programme.

Tories Will Win

Lord Lambton said the Conservatives will win the forthcoming October elections. He added that the Government would be returned to power with "about the same majority as it is holding at present."

Lord Lambton left for Taipei by CPA for a three-day visit to Taiwan and the off-shore island of Quemoy, at the invitation of the Chinese Nationalist Government.

Difficulties

He said it was also due to the difficulties of getting into Mainland China. But he added that there were "MP's visiting the Chinese Mainland via the overland route. This was not so obvious to Hongkong because they did not pass through here."



LORD LAMBTON

Lord Lambton is returning to Hongkong on September 14, and will then go on to the U.K. to prepare for the General Election. He was seen off this morning by Mr P. A. English, A.D.C. to the Governor.

Struck Off

Harvey, Miller and Slater, Ltd., had been struck off the register and the company dissolved, the Government Gazette notified today.



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NORA CROSSES CHINA COAST: NO 3 SIGNAL COMES DOWN

The No. 3 storm signal was lowered at the Royal Observatory at 11 a.m., after Tropical Storm Nora crossed the China Coast at 9 a.m.

The storm moved inland about 90 miles east-north-east of Hongkong.

Gusty winds during the night caused the cross-harbour motor-boat service to be suspended, stranding many people on both sides of the harbour.

The maximum average winds recorded at the Royal Observatory during the storm was 25 knots, but a spokesman said there had been frequent gusts of 40-50 knots.

A maximum gust of 61 knots was recorded at Waglan.

Government Appointments Gazetted

The Government Gazette announced today the following appointments, transfers, promotions and postings:

Mr R. W. Wainwright resumed duty as Deputy Director of Civil Aviation.

Mr E. S. Hewson, Chief Operations Officer, ceased to act as Deputy Director of Civil Aviation.

Mr F. R. J. Lillywhite, Air Traffic Control Officer, Class 1, ceased to act as Chief Operations Officer.

Mr E. Collins resumed duty as Government Chemist.

Dr E. G. N. Greaves, Chemist, ceased to act as Government Chemist.

Mr A. S. Webb, Engineer, to be Assistant Chief Engineer.

Mr J. D. McGregor, Assistant Trade Officer, Commerce and Industry Department, to be Trade Officer.

Mr W. Silvey and Mr Stephen K. S. Cheng to be Food Officers.



MR BATLEY

British Teacher On Tour

Mr James Batley, a British historian and specialist in visual-aid education, arrived from Japan in the President Wilson this morning in the course of an eight-month tour. Head of the History Department of Reigate Priory School in Surrey, Mr Batley plans to visit the University of Hongkong and local schools to watch classes and the relationship between teachers and pupils, during his week's stay here.

He began his tour four months ago, and the places he covered included the West Indies, Peru, Mexico, California and Japan.

No Warm Clothes' Appeal Dismissed

A novel ground for the reduction of his sentence was put forward by Kwok Ka-hei to Mr Justice R. H. Mills-Owens this morning.

He said that when Mr T. L. Yang sentenced him to eight months for possession of barbitone and heroin, the Magistrate overlooked the fact that it would be winter when he was released from prison and he would not be able to find any warm clothes.

Dismissing Kwok's appeal, the Judge told him that when the time came for him to need warm clothing he could seek the help of welfare organizations.

Mr Justice Mills-Owens also dismissed four other appeals for reduction of sentence brought by prisoners who were gaoled for possession of drugs.

One of them, a woman, Ho Yuk-lam, said that her husband died, leaving her two sons and 38 packets of heroin.

She had been given a year by Mr T. L. Yang.

New Missionary Arrives

A crowd of straw-hatted American missionaries were at the docks in Kowloon today to welcome Mr Robert S. Taylor, 42, new President of the Southern Far East Mission of the Latter-Day Saints.

Mr Taylor, a former bishop of his church in Honolulu, travelled from Hawaii in the liner President Wilson. He succeeds Mr H. Grant Heaton, President since the Mormon mission was established here in 1955. Mr Heaton soon will return to the United States.

Slow-Down In Singapore Harbour Reported To Be Driving Trade To Hongkong

From GORDON HUNG

Singapore, Sept. 7.

Shipping companies here are complaining that slow work and high labour cost in the harbour area are driving away trans-shipment trade to Hongkong.

They said that ships from the west coast of America and the Pacific with merchandise from Cambodia, Vietnam, Siam and Borneo preferred to discharge their cargoes in Hongkong now instead of Singapore.

In Hongkong, wharves work round the clock, whereas the Singapore Harbour Board works on a shift system.

Shippers here claim that there is an interruption of work between change of shifts, causing loss of time and money to shipping companies.

Loading and unloading was quicker in Hongkong than in Singapore, they said.

Useless

A Chinese shipping executive said it was true that part of the work in Singapore harbour was mechanised, but it was "useless to have mechanisation if the machines were not manned."

He said that some ships that used to come to Singapore were already beginning to trans-ship goods at Hongkong.

Ships coming from European ports via the Straits of Malacca, the conventional route from the West, still preferred to trans-ship goods at Singapore.

But Hongkong, he said, was keenly bidding for this trade.

Tonnage Down

The manager of another shipping agency said his ships usually trans-shipped only one-fifth of the cargo at Singapore. The rest was over-carried to Hongkong.

According to the statistics issued by the Singapore Harbour Board, the total cargo handled in the wharves and roads was 17.3 million tons in 1958.

In 1959, the total tonnage handled was 15.7 million.

No More Hard Labour: Appeal Judge Reminds

Mr Justice R. H. Mills-Owens this morning drew attention to the fact that there is now no more hard labour in the Colony's prisons.

Sitting in the Appeals Court he said he had noticed in a number of cases from the Magistrates on appeal before him where sentences of imprisonment were expressly imposed with hard labour.

"As we all know hard labour has ceased to be a feature of imprisonment," he said pointing out that all references to it in the Ordinances had either been deleted or repealed last year.

Magistrates should record such sentences simply as imprisonment for it was no longer correct to express them as imprisonment with hard labour, the Judge said.

Service Bridge For Jordan Valley

Work will begin towards the end of next month on the construction of a service bridge to link up the two sections of the Jordan Valley Resettlement Estate in the Ngau Tau Kok area of Kowloon.

The bridge will be built across an existing nullah. It will be 60 feet long and 30 feet wide and will have a 20-foot turntableway with a footpath on either side.

Construction of the bridge, tenders for which are called for in today's Government Gazette, is expected to take about three months to complete.

Two Consular Appointments

Mr G. P. Sarafoglou has been accorded formal recognition as Deputy Honorary Consul for Greece at Hongkong, the Government Gazette notified today.

Mr Soontorn Gongsook has been recognized provisionally as Vice-Consul for Thailand at Hongkong, the Gazette added.



Mr Holmes and his family.

New U.S. Consul-General Arrives In Hongkong

The importance of cultural exchanges between peoples of eastern and western nations was stressed by Mr Julius C. Holmes today when he arrived here to assume his duties as new U.S. Consul-General.

Mr Holmes, a career diplomat with 34 years of experience, replaces Mr John M. Steeves, who left Hongkong last month. He and his wife, who arrived in the liner President Wilson, were welcomed by their daughter, Elsie 23, who flew out here last week from the U.S.

Welcome Party

Also on hand to greet their new chief were senior members of the consulate staff, including Mr Edward Fried, head of the economic section, who has been acting as Consul-General since Mr Steeves' departure; Mr Kenneth Calloway, administrative officer; Mr Harold Jacobson, chief of the political section; Mr Robert Clarke, director of the United States Information Service branch; and Cmdr. G. K. Nicodemus, U.S. Navy liaison officer.

In a shipboard interview, Mr Holmes said this was his first visit to Hongkong. "I'm looking forward to my new assignment," he said.

But he did say that he would do everything he could to help promote cultural and student exchanges between the U.S. and the Colony.

"I believe cultural relations between countries are very important because they step over national boundaries," he said. "And the language of art is a universal one."

Plays Golf

Mr Holmes also said he was pleased to learn that increasing numbers of Chinese students were going to U.S. for higher education. These exchanges should be encouraged because they help people of different races understand each other.

Speaking in lighter vein, Mr Holmes said he hoped to indulge in his favourite sport, golf, if he has any time off. "But," he quipped, "I understand there is very little time off at this post."

One of tall, grey-haired Mr Holmes' previous foreign post-

From the Files

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"YOU can't go collecting debts by kicking men in the stomach," said Mr E. I. Wynno-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy when he fined Wong Yau, a workman \$4 or five days hard labour for assaulting a building contractor.

The following were elected officers of St Andrew's Club: President Rev. J. R. Higge, Vice President Mr R. Baldwin and Mr P. J. A. Hamilton, Hon. Secretary, Mr R. H. Wong, Hon. Treasurer, Mr A. S. Blinn, life member, Mr R. H. Wong, Committee, Miss M. Woolley, Miss G. A. White, Dr H. D. Matthews, Messrs A. E. P. Guest, H. Kew and F. A. Broadbridge.

Mr Eu Tong-sen, the well-known multi-millionaire, added to the considerable property he holds in the Colony yesterday when he acquired more than 20,000 square feet of land at a Crown land sale.

The plot adjoins Mr Eu's magnificent residence at Repulse Bay and it is his intention to develop it into a pleasure garden contiguous with his residence.

Mr Eu's representative was the only bidder and paid \$1,150 for the property.

A motor mishap in which a European constable received injuries necessitating his removal to hospital occurred at Wan-chai in the early hours of yesterday morning.

P. C. Fitzpatrick was on patrol duty at 2 a.m. in Wan-chai Road when he was knocked down from behind by a private motor-car driven by Mr T. Cranston of the Hongkong Jockey Club stables.

A Chinese man went on trial for wilfully causing the death of two Chinese lovers in their sleep with a chopper. The man charged was alleged to be the former lover of the woman who was at the time of her death the mistress of the man who was killed with her in a Shamshui-pi flat.

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